### Activities of the National Council

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| 1999 | First pre-registration degree programmes commenced
| 1999 | First NCNM newsletter published
| 1999 | NCNM’s on-line database of clinical practice guidelines launched
| 2000 | Report on the Continuing Professional Development of Staff Nurses and Staff Midwives published
| 2000 | First edition of guidance for allocation of continuing education funding by NCNM published
| 2001 | Review of Nurses and Midwives in the Prescribing and Administration of Medicinal Products published
| 2002 | First review of NCNM achievements published
| 2002 | First edition of CNS/CMS and ANP/AMP frameworks published (Interim) HIQA established
| 2003 | First review of NCNM achievements published
| 2003 | Expanded NCNM position paper published
| 2003 | Review of Nurses and Midwives in the Prescribing and Administration of Medicinal Products published
| 2003 | Report on the evaluation of CNS/CMS and ANP/AMP frameworks published
| 2004 | Fourth editions of CNS/CMS and ANP/AMP frameworks published
| 2004 | First NCNM position paper published
| 2004 | Third review of NCNM achievements published
| 2004 | Guidance on the Adaptation of Clinical Practice Guidelines to the Midwifery Portfolio published
| 2005 | First HRB Clinical Nursing and Midwifery Fellowship established
| 2005 | Fourth years of NCNM and ANP/AMP frameworks published
| 2006 | Final discussion paper published
| 2006 | Final report on the implementation of the Nurse and Midwife in the Prescribing and Administration of Medical Products (Interim) HIQA established
| 2006 | Major two-year evaluation of CNS/CMS and ANP/AMP frameworks published
| 2006 | Electronic portfolio for nurses and midwives developed by NCNM using SCORM portfolio guidelines.
| 2007 | Final discussion paper published
| 2007 | Guidance on the Adaptation of Clinical Practice Guidelines for Implementation in the Midwifery Portfolio published
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### Healthcare Context

- 1999: First pre-registration degree programmes commenced
- 2000: Scope of Nursing and Midwifery Practice Framework published by ANP
- 2001: Quality and Fairness: A Health Service for the Future published by DoHC
- 2002: First pre-registration degree programmes commenced
- 2003: Health Service Reform Programme launched
- 2004: Final discussion paper published
- 2005: HIQA established
- 2006: AGSI Transformation Programme published
- 2007: Legislation and professional guidelines published in relation to nurse and midwife prescribing
- 2008: High fully established
- 2010: Nurse and Midwife Bill published

In the course of the last ten years, the National Council has produced well over fifty different publications (excluding our newsletter and annual reports) and availed of different formats and forums to ensure that they were disseminated among those who would find them most useful. Our annual national conference has facilitated the distribution of our publications among front-line nurses and midwives, while our dynamic and expansive website has emerged as a powerful means of sharing our resources. Our publications represent a decade of innovation, development and achievement. Each one is an individual chapter contributing to the narrative of the National Council. For further information please refer to our Review of Achievements, 1999-2010: Publications - Leadership, Guidance and Evidence for Best Practice which contains an abridged account of all the Council’s publications from 1999 to 2010.

**Key to Acronyms**
- ANB: An Bord Altranais
- AMP: advanced midwife practitioner
- ANP: advanced nurse practitioner
- CMS: clinical midwife specialist
- CNS: clinical nurse specialist
- DoHC: Department of Health and Children
- HSE: Health Service Executive
- NCNM: National Council
- NQAI: National Qualifications Authority of Ireland
- RCSI: Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland
- NCNPA: National Council for the Professional Development of Nursing and Midwifery
- NQA: National Qualifications Authority of Ireland
- DoHC: Department of Health and Children
- CNS: clinical nurse specialist
- CMS: clinical midwife specialist
- ANP: advanced nurse practitioner
- ABA: An Bord Altranais
- RCSI: Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland