

## **Update 8<sup>th</sup> February**

Ministry of Health and College representatives met today to progress the implementation of the recent mediation agreement. An intensive work programme is planned.

A number of midwives who have been sent letters of offer for the business contribution payment have not responded. Any midwives who consider they may be eligible for this payment are encouraged to contact the Ministry and ensure that their postal address details are up to date.

For any queries please contact [primarymaternity@moh.govt.nz](mailto:primarymaternity@moh.govt.nz)

Recently registered newly graduated midwives who have an authorisation to claim under the Notice will soon receive a letter of offer for a business contribution payment from the Ministry.

The volume of second midwife claims has been lower than anticipated. A second midwife claim can be made for any homebirth where a second midwife attends. There are detailed examples of when a second midwife claim can be made on the Ministry website.