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Forensic Midwifery in Women's Health

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When the health level of the countries and the efficiency of health services are evaluated; It is seen that the most important difference between developing countries and developed countries is in the area of "Mother and Child Health". The midwife is one of the most important members of the healthcare profession in this field in terms of duties, powers and responsibilities. Midwives are faced with many legal incidents in the field, considering their work areas (maternity and gynecology clinics, pediatric wards and intensive care units, pediatric emergencies, MCH-FP centers, family health centers) and their legal responsibilities. In most forensic cases, midwives, who are the first to see the individual, who first communicate with their family or relatives, who touch their belongings during the examination and who are the first to come into contact with the laboratory samples taken from the individual, in short, who are one of the health personnel who can reach the first forensic evidence, should not be limited to the notification obligation. Midwives are in a position to recognize domestic violence, as well as obstetrics and women's health nurses, emergency care nurses and public health nurses, who are closest to the victims and can provide adequate care. Midwives whose main duty is the health of women and children in judicial events; It should not be forgotten that history taking, physical examination, identification of evidence, collection of evidence, storage of evidence, provision of evidence protection chain, recording of evidence, and crisis intervention will have important roles. Forensic midwifery, a new area of expertise, serves as a bridge in bridging the gap between law and medicine. Increasingly, the forensic midwife plays the critical and important role of the forensic midwife in establishing the link between civil servants, lawyers, other health professionals, law and the health system in the justice system will perceive and accept, therefore the need for a forensic midwife will arise.

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