Who are the Self Employed Community Midwives (SECM)?
There are six experienced SECM, who practice in a community setting in the HSE South. They provide midwifery care throughout the pregnancy, labour and after the birth, to low-risk women planning a home birth. The HSE has engaged the services of these midwives to provide midwifery services to expectant mothers wishing to have their babies at home.

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Elke is married with three children and lives on a small farm, near the village of Toames, five miles from Macroom. After qualifying as a midwife in Germany in 1983, Elke worked in two major maternity units and a small cottage hospital, for about two years in each. Her first Irish homeborn baby was born on 1st January 1990.

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Mary qualified as a midwife in England in 1984. She set up her practice in Cork as a community midwife in 1994. She has been assisting mothers to birth their babies at home for 20 years. Her Midwifery Practice is located in her home in the Kinsale area. She works in Cork city and within a 20 mile radius of both Cork City and Kinsale. Mary lives with her husband Brendan and their son Matthew and daughter Annie.

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Helen qualified as a midwife in the UK in 1991. From then until 2007 she worked in the UK in hospitals, as a Community Midwife and then as part of a homebirth team. Between 2007 and 2012 she worked as a Midwifery Ward Manager at Cork University Maternity Hospital. In 2013 she decided to revisit her passion for Community Midwifery and now practices as a Homebirth Midwife in the North Cork, Limerick and Tipperary Region. She lives in Tipperary with her husband Mike.