



Postpartum Support Contract

This contract is between the parent/parents (hereinafter referred to as “Client”, and Caroline Pizza (hereinafter referred to as “Doula”) for the purposes of providing postpartum doula support. After discussion and review, the parties agree as follows:

I. Services:

1. Doula has the necessary skills and training so as to enable Doula to perform the services for which the postpartum doula has been contracted for. Doula will support Client’s decisions within the Doula’s scope of practice.
2. The care provided by Doula includes, but is not limited to: infant care, sibling care, infant feeding support, postpartum recovery support, errands, light housekeeping (e.g., laundry, washing bottles, loading dishwasher) and meal preparation.
3. Doula is not a medical provider and does NOT diagnose or treat medical conditions in the Client or baby, as this is outside Doula’s scope of practice.
4. Doula agrees to work with Client on a pre-determined schedule, subject to availability and mutually agreeable hours. For billing purposes, an hour is considered to begin when Doula arrives at Client’s home for the previously arranged shift.
5. If Doula works an overnight shift, Doula is permitted to sleep when the baby/ babies is/are asleep and all previously agreed upon duties have been completed.
6. Daytime shifts are a minimum of 5 hours and overnight shifts are a minimum of 10 hours. The latest time Doula can begin an overnight shift is 11:00 pm and the earliest an overnight shift can end is 6:00 am.
7. All contracted hours must be used within ____ weeks {Insert contracted timeline} of date of commencement of services.
8. In the event Doula cannot provide postpartum support services as scheduled, due to unforeseen circumstances (i.e., family emergency, illness, weather),

Doula will make all attempts to schedule an equally qualified, professional back-up doula to cover the shift or reschedule the postpartum services. Client shall be able to meet with back-up doula prior to this if Client chooses.

- 9. If Client wishes to extend the contract beyond the initial agreed upon terms, Client understands that Doula will provide such services as staffing permits. Client and Doula will execute a new contract for services at that time.**

Client Initials_____

II. Fee for Services:

- 10. Postpartum services will be provided at ___per hour {Insert hourly rate} with a minimum of ___ hours {Insert minimum, if any} totalling \$____. {Insert total for contract} A non-refundable retainer fee of \$____{Insert retainer fee} is required at the signing of this contract. Client will be billed for all contracted hours except for the last___ hours of care, {Insert hours covered by retainer fee} which will be satisfied by the retainer fee.**
- 11. Doula will bill Client for postpartum services on a weekly basis. Payment must be made within 10 days of the posted date of billing. Failure by Client to timely pay will result in an additional charge equaling 5% of the bill amount.**
- 12. If Client cancels a scheduled shift with less than 24 hours' notice, Client will be billed for the requested, scheduled hours.**
- 13. If the doula works for Client through an Agency, that doula is not for private hire. The hiring of a doula by Client, without the consent of the Agency, shall result in a \$15,000.00 referral fee paid to the Agency.**
- 14. Client is responsible for any and all parking fees incurred at each shift. Parking fees will be included in the weekly billing.**
- 15. We, the undersigned, have read this contract for postpartum doula services. We accept and agree to the terms and conditions.**

Client Initials_____

Parent One (Printed Name) _____

Signature _____

Parent Two (Printed Name) _____

Signature _____

Address: _____

Phone Numbers: _____

Emails: _____

Due Date: _____

Birthing Facility: _____

Doula: _____

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