

#### TINY LOVE DOULA CONTRACT

#### LABOR SUPPORT SERVICES, LIMITS AND FEES

As a Doula, I accompany women in labor to help ensure a safe and satisfying birth experience. I will draw on my knowledge and past birth experiences to provide emotional support, physical comfort and as needed, communication with the medical staff to make sure you have the information that you need to make informed decisions. I provide reassurance and perspective to you and your partner, make suggestions for labor progress, give massage, guide relaxation, and help with positioning and other techniques for your comfort. I am independent and self-employed. As your Doula, I am working for you, not your caregiver or the hospital.

I prefer to meet with you and your partner three times before your estimated due date if possible. Two in your home and then I'd like to attend one of your prenatal appointments with your OB or midwife. The first visit is to get acquainted, discuss your priorities and your hopes for your baby's birth and the second is to go over relaxation techniques and labor coping skills.

If you decide to contract my services, you may expect the following from me:

- 24 hour on-call;
- back-up arrangements in case of illness or emergency;
- early labor support as needed in home or hospital;
- assistance in drafting an informed birth plan;
- compliment or supplement information received in CB classes;
- pre-natal visits;
- post-partum visits;
- constant care, attention and support once active labor has begun; including, but not limited to: Visualization, Meditation, Use of Birth Ball, Mobility and Position Changes, Use Of Rocking Chair/Birth Stool, Relaxation, Focus, Verbal Encouragement, Breath Work, Vocalization,

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Birth Room Atmosphere, Aromatherapy, Use Hot/Cold Packs, Clarification of Medical/Clinical Terminology and Procedure, and Massage techniques

- Immediate Postpartum Care, including, but not limited to: Encouragement of Infant Bonding, Establishing Breastfeeding, Protecting the Family Environment, and Support for Unexpected Outcomes
- Every effort and attention to maintain a calm birth experience;

### I expect the following from you:

A phone call to me even if you <u>think</u> you are in labor. I can answer
questions and give suggestions over the telephone. We can decide if I
should come right then or wait for further changes. We will also decide
at that time the best place to meet – your home or your birth place.

Just as important as what I will do is what I will not do. As a Doula, I do not perform clinical tasks, vaginal examinations, fetal heart checks, or blood pressure, etc. I do not make decisions for you. I will help you get the information you need to make informed choices but the decisions to do or not to do something must be yours alone. I will also remind you if something proposed is a departure from your birth plan.

I do not speak to the medical staff in your place regarding matters where decisions must be made. I will discuss your concerns with you and suggest options, but you and your partner will speak on your behalf to the medical staff.



### **TINY LOVE DOULA FEE AGREEMENT**

Doula
We hereby agree to pay my Doula, a fee in the amount of
\$ for the services listed in the above Contract. The fee includes a non-
refundable deposit of \$ which is payable at the time of signing, and the
balance of the fee, \$, is due on our final prenatal visits, before our baby is
born.
As your Doula, I will make every effort to provide the services described.  Sometimes this is impossible. There may be circumstances beyond anyone's control or I am not available and the back-up Doula does not arrive in time. In such a case, the remaining fee of \$ is cancelled. If my failure to attend your birth is because of your failure to call me or your labor is so rapid that I am unable to arrive in time, the remaining fee is still due and payable.  You may cancel my services without penalty up to the 37 <sup>th</sup> week of your pregnancy. After that time period, the balance of the remaining fee is due.
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Mother – Print and Sign
Partner (if applicable) – Print and Sign
Birth Doula Sign

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## Doula Intake Form

Date of 1 <sup>st</sup> meeting: 3 <sup>rd</sup> meeting: 3 <sup>rd</sup> meeting:
Mothers Name:
Partners Name:
Due Date:
Place of Birth:
Home Address:
Phone numbers:
Primary Care Provider:
Who else will attend birth?
Are you taking a childbirth class?
Do you have a birth plan?
Do you want pictures taken during labor? Pushing? Postpartum?
Do you have any special requests?
How has your pregnancy been so far?
Any Complications?

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Previous pregnancies/births?
Children? Names and ages:
Do you have any concerns about labor or birth?
Partner?
Do you have a newborn plan?
Do you plan to take a breastfeeding class?
Do you have any questions/concerns?



## **Doula Birth Notes**

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Date and Location:		
	Baby's name	



## **Doula Postpartum Notes**

Doula
Date and Location:
Baby's Full Name:
Baby's Birth Weight/Date/Time of Birth:
Postpartum Concerns/Problems:
Resources (Referrals) or follow up needed:



## Doula Evaluation Form

Baby's Birth Day:						
Doula's Name:						
You are	ou are How long was your labor?					
	e your baby? (hospital, ho	ome, birth center)				
Why did you want	a doula at your birth?					
How useful was the your birth?	ne information your doula s	hared during your pre	natal appointm	nents in preparing for		
Great	Very Good	Satisfied	Poor	Very Poor		
5	4	3	2	1		
2. Were you satisfied	with the comfort measures	your doula provided	during your lal	bor and birth?		
Great	Very Good	Satisfied	Poor	Very Poor		
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Great	Very Good	Satisfied	Poor	Very Poor		
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4. Did you feel satist	fied with your doula overall	?				
Great	Very Good	Satisfied	Poor	Very Poor		
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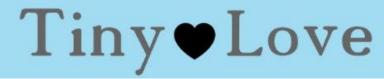
Thank You and Happy Birthing!!



## Labor Progress Record

### Information

Client Code:	Today's Date: Estimated Due Date:
Time arrived:	Location (circle one): home / birth center / hospital
If you are at home, he	ow far away is the birth-place?
	Contractions
What time did they st	art? How far apart? Lasting how long?
Is the mother vocaliz	ng or quiet through contractions?
What stage of labor of	oes she appear to be in when you arrived?
	Labor Support
What position/s does	the mother like?
What alternate position	ons have you suggested?
Has the mother had a	dequate food and drink?
	Labor/Birth Milestones
What time did water	oreak? How long was early labor?
How long was active	labor? How long did she push?
Time baby born:	Male or Female: Weight:
Any other characteris	tics?



### **Birth Story**

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