

Family Birth Center **Doula Program**

Doula program details.

We are happy to announce that we can once again welcome certified doulas into the Family Birth Center at Huntington Hospital.

Before the birth.

To prepare you for attending your client's birth and facilitate ease of entry into the Huntington Hospital Family Birth Center, please provide us with the following information **at least 48 hours before the planned birth.**

- Name of expectant mother.
- Estimated due date.
- Primary OB physician.
- A copy of your current doula certification.

Please provide this information via email to: Amy Pendleton, MSN, MPH, RNC-WHNP, Family Birth Center Manager **amy.pendleton@huntingtonhospital.com**

Agreement to safety practices and hospital policy.

By submitting the required information above, you consent to the following safety practices and hospital policies:

- Once you arrive to the birth center, a registered nurse will ask you a series of health questions and take your temperature. Your temperature will be checked every 12 hours thereafter.
- You will remain in the patient's room at all times.
- If you have partners in your practice, you must designate only one doula per client, no substitutions will be allowed.
- Bring only the essentials that you require to provide services to your client.

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Agreement to safety practices and hospital policy (continued).

- Your client will receive a rapid COVID-19 test in the OB Emergency Department. Once her results are back, you will be able to accompany her into the birthing suite. Please note: if her COVID-19 test is positive, doulas unfortunately cannot be granted entrance into the birthing suite.
- Huntington Hospital will provide you the same personal protective equipment used by labor staff and physicians. You are welcome to bring your own googles or face shield.
- Doula services do not extend to the mother baby unit. Immediately prior to the mother's admission to that unit, doula services are completed. At that time, you will depart the hospital.
- In case of a cesarean delivery, only one birthing partner will be permitted into the operating room, and this is dependent on physician approval based on the situation.
- In accordance with Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPPA) regulations, you are agreeing to adherence to patient confidentiality.

Huntington Hospital appreciates the services you provide to expectant moms.

If you have further questions, please contact: Family Birth Center Manager Amy Pendleton via email at **amy.pendleton@huntingtonhospital.com**



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