# Life & Love Midwifery Financial Agreement

This is a fee for services contract between <i>Life &amp; Love Midwifery</i> and		
	_ for complete pregnancy, postpartum, and newborn care	
through 6 weeks after birth.		
Services include:		

## Complete Pregnancy, Birth, Postpartum, & Newborn Care \$5,000

## Prenatal care

- Regularly scheduled prenatal appointments
  - Once a month from conception to 28 weeks
  - Twice a month from 28 weeks to 36 weeks
  - Weekly from 36 weeks to 40 weeks (including a birth team home visit)
  - o Bi-weekly or as needed from 40 weeks until birth
  - o *On call for urgent matters* (bleeding, suspected preterm labor, baby not moving, etc.)

## Lab work

- Routine prenatal panel at initial visit
- Glucose tolerance test around 28 weeks (anemia panel if indicated)
- GBS screening and Hemoglobin/Hematocrit around 36 weeks
- · Other lab test as indicated

## Labor and birth

- Midwife on call from 37 weeks until birth
- Midwife will stay at the birth after the onset of active labor until the client and baby are stabilized after the birth
- Midwife may call in back-up if labor is longer than 18 hours
- Midwife may call in back-up if a personal emergency or illness occurs
- If a transfer is necessary the midwife, assistant, student, or doula will go with the client to the hospital

## Postpartum care:

- Regularly scheduled postpartum visits including:
  - o 24-48 hour home visit
  - 3-5 day phone call (or visit if necessary)
  - 2-3 week in office or home visit
  - ~6 week in office or home visit
  - o *On-call for urgent matters* (bleeding, breastfeeding, output issues, emotional, or other)

### Newborn care:

- Care and stabilization of the newborn immediately following the birth
- Complete newborn exam before discharge
- Newborn hearing, heart, and PKU screenings at 24–48-hour home visit
- Regularly scheduled care of the newborn for up to the first 6 weeks of life, coinciding with parental appointments
- <u>On-call for urgent matters</u> (breastfeeding issues, colic, sleep disturbances, output concerns, weight concerns, etc.)

## Refunds

- Only apply in special circumstances
  - o Deposit is non-refundable
  - o In case of miscarriage, fees will be prorated at \$125 per prenatal appointment attended
  - In case of fetal death after 20 weeks but before 37 weeks, fees will be prorated at \$125 per prenatal appointment attended
  - If transfer of care necessary during pregnancy but before onset of labor, fees will be prorated at \$125 per prenatal appointment attended
  - o If transfer of care occurs during labor or after the birth, no refund will be given

## Discounts available

- -\$200 Paid in full before 36 weeks
- -\$150 Doula
- -\$150 Childbirth Education Class
- -\$1000 Low-income discount available for those who qualify (WIC, Medicaid, etc.)
- Payment plan is available for those who desire it

### Extras

- +\$50 Birth Pool Rental
- +\$100 Travel further than 1 hour
- +\$200 Travel further than 2 hours
- Anatomy Scan Ultrasound Required (cost determined by ultrasound provider)

I am not currently contracted with any insurance carriers. Payment in full is due before the 37th week of pregnancy or your midwife will NOT be on call for you and your birth will NOT be attended until full payment is received. My office is happy to set up a payment schedule for you. We will supply you with a receipt after the birth of your child for you to submit to your insurance company for reimbursement.

You understand and agree to the financial terms and conditions included in this agreement. By signing this document, you agree to pay *Life & Love Midwifery* for their services rendered under the specified conditions.

Client Signature	Date
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Midwife Signature	Date