

## COVID-19 Late Transfer Agreement

At Health Foundations Birth Center + Women's Health Clinic, we are dedicated to providing you with the best possible care and service and regard your understanding of our Late Transfer Policy Agreement as an important element of your care and treatment with us.

### Definition + Purpose

A late transfer is a client who is 28 weeks pregnant or greater who is initiating prenatal care or is transferring care from another provider to Health Foundations. *Note: If you have had no prenatal care with a provider by 28 weeks in pregnancy, you are not eligible to be at Health Foundations.*

The purpose of this policy and agreement is to ensure you and your family understand Health Foundation's requirements to be a late transfer. It is also important our healthcare providers have all the information they need to provide you appropriate care.

### Client Responsibilities

All the following need to be met to be able to deliver at Health Foundations Birth Center. Freestanding birth centers are appropriate to serve low-risk women. It is not safe if we do not have all the information we need, and you do not have the education that is required for birth center care. If you have not satisfied all the requirement by the onset of labor, you will be referred to the hospital for labor + delivery.

- Complete a virtual consultation visit that gives you an overview of the services we do and do not offer.
- It is your responsibility to get your records. You must ensure we receive them prior to your Intake Visit. You can email ([yourcare@health-foundations.com](mailto:yourcare@health-foundations.com)), fax or personally drop off your records at our office. If we do not have your records, we will reschedule your Intake Visit. If you have seen more than one provider in your pregnancy, you need to get records from each provider seen.
- You must be considered a low-risk pregnancy.
- You must have had a mid-pregnancy ultrasound.
- If you are entering care later than 28 weeks in pregnancy, the gestational diabetes glucose screen must have been done. *(If you are entering care during your 28<sup>th</sup> week of pregnancy, the test can be done at our office.)*
- If you are entering care later than 36 weeks in pregnancy, GBS testing must have been done.
- You must complete Health Foundations REQUIRED classes: Early Home Care and Complications.
- We will redraw any labs we are unable to find in your medical record. Labs are billed through insurance by Quest Lab. It is your responsibility to cover the cost of these tests. We will also draw any labs required at Health Foundations that were not done at your previous provider. All lab results must be received by the onset of labor.
- If you are planning a water birth the following lab tests are required by our practice: HIV, Hepatitis C + Hepatitis B. If we need to draw these labs and do not receive the results back before the onset of labor, you will not be able to be in the birth tubs.
- This agreement is not a guarantee that you will birth at Health Foundations Birth Center.

I have read and understand this late transfer policy of Health Foundations Birth Center + Women's Health Clinic and I agree to its terms. I have had the opportunity to ask questions about this policy and understand my responsibilities. I UNDERSTAND THAT ALL OF THE REQUIREMENTS MUST BE MET BY THE ONSET OF LABOR OR I WILL BE REFERRED TO THE HOSPITAL FOR MY LABOR AND DELIVERY. I understand and agree that such terms may be amended from time-to-time by the practice. I understand that at any time, the Health Foundations team of midwives may determine an out-of-hospital birth is not the safest option for me or my baby and will be transferred to the hospital.

Patient Signature:

Date: