## Philadelphia Alliance for Labor Support Consent for Services Form

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I,, consent to havestay with me during (print client name) (print doula name) my labor and attend the birth of my child(ren) as my doula.
<ul> <li>I understand the following to be true about Philadelphia Alliance for Labor Support doulas:</li> <li>All PALS doulas are volunteers; they are not paid staff members of the hospital.</li> <li>Doulas are trained in providing labor support, but are not medical professionals.</li> <li>My doula might help me through my labor with position changes, massage, breathing techniques, relaxation techniques and/or emotional support.</li> <li>My doula will seek assistance from hospital staff.</li> <li>I have the right to ask my doula to leave if I feel his/her help is no longer needed.</li> <li>My doula will not discuss my condition with my family members unless I request him/her to do so.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>My doula will maintain my patient confidentiality.</li> <li>If my doula is unable to stay through my birth, s/he will do her best to find a replacement.</li> <li>Information about my birth may be used to evaluate the effectiveness of the Philadelphia Alliance for Labor Support program. I realize my name will not be attached to any information used.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>In the event I need a Cesarean Section, I would like my doula to go with me into the operating room.</li> <li>Yes No Initials</li> </ul>

Client Name:	
Client Signature:	Date:
Doula Signature:	Date:
Witness Signature:	Date:

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