

FINANCIAL AGREEMENT

It has been well established that midwifery care is safe and satisfying. It reduces the rates of cesarean section and postpartum depression and increases successful breastfeeding rates improving overall health for women and infants.

Homebirth should be accessible to all women and birthing people, within parameters of safety. For this reason, we endeavor to make our fees reasonable. Our **\$5,300.00** home birth fee covers:

- 30-60 minute prenatal visits
- At least one prenatal home visit
- Attendance of midwife during active labor & birth
- Attendance of midwife for stabilization of mother and baby for 2-3 hours following birth
- Newborn stabilization and comprehensive newborn exam
- Breastfeeding/chestfeeding education and support
- Durable medical equipment, supplies, medications
- Billing service fee
- Postpartum visits to include immediate postpartum, a two week visit and one visit at 6 weeks, including a comprehensive review, exam, and postpartum depression screening
- Unlimited access to an on-call midwife for illness, emergencies, labor, and postpartum
- Unlimited phone consults
- Travel time to and from your home
- Birth certificate registration
- In the case of a hospital transfer, we facilitate transfer and consult/collaborate or refer as needed

In the event of a transfer for medical care during labor, a midwife will accompany you to the hospital per hospital regulation. We will continue being your provider postpartum.

Our fee does not include:

- Laboratory tests and procedures
- Sonograms
- Genetic screening
- Post due date testing and monitoring
- Hospitalization
- Midwife assistants
- Birth kit
- Birth Pool Rental

Your insurance company will be billed directly by the facilities rendering those services. It is the responsibility of the client to notify Jamii Birth Wellness Services of any change in insurance during the pregnancy.



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After your birth, we will furnish our billing service with information to submit to your insurance provider for reimbursement, which usually takes between 8 and 16 weeks. In the event of a medical transfer prior to 36 weeks, a reimbursement of payment for care not rendered may be provided at our discretion.¹

The global maternity code used by insurance companies does not include many of our routine services, which are considered “non-billable” or not “medically necessary.” The code is defined as “59400: Routine obstetric care including antepartum care, vaginal delivery (with or without episiotomy, and or forceps), and postpartum care.”

This code ONLY covers:

- 8-10 minute prenatal visits
- 1-2 hours around delivery
- 1-2 postpartum visits

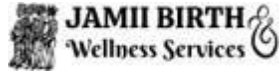
Due to the complexity of the medical insurance system and the standard use of global billing for maternity care, if you are using commercial insurance we ask that you pay a **non-refundable fee of \$1,000** at the beginning of care as a registration fee and pay the remainder throughout care to be **paid in full by 35 weeks. Unless other arrangements are made in writing, failure to pay fees may result in termination of care** and referral will be made to a new provider.

Please feel free to ask us any questions. Our intent is to work out the financial arrangements early on in our relationship so we can get on with focusing on your satisfying and empowering pregnancy and birth experience.

I agree to pay:

- Home Birth Fee of \$5,000.00 if paid in full by 35 weeks
- Home Birth Fee of \$5,300.00 with monthly payments of \$_____ after the non-refundable registration fee of \$1,000.00.
- I will be billing through commercial insurance after the non-refundable registration fee of \$1,000.
- I will be billing through Medicaid.
- Other _____

¹ **Refund Policy:** If your care is transferred for any reason before 36 weeks, I will offer a refund for the amount you already paid, **minus the \$1000 retainer fee, \$400 for the initial prenatal, and \$200 per additional prenatal appointment.** Refunds are unavailable after 36 weeks, regardless of the location and outcome of the birth. There is no refund until insurance is finalized and it will be refunded according to the explanation of benefits. If your responsibility is more than what you paid there is no refund per insurance guidelines.



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with the Payment type of:

- Cash
- Cashier's Check
- Credit Card
- Money Order

Printed Name _____ Date _____ / _____ / _____

Signature _____

Midwife's initials _____