

# Birth Plan

Full name:	Due date OR Induction date:
Huband's name:	Doctor's name:
Today's date:	Hospital name:

#### 01 Please note that I

- Am Rh incompatibility with baby
- Have gestational diabetes

- Have hypertension
- Other medical conditions

My sister:

Other:

# 02 My delivery is planned as

- Vaginal
- C-section
- Vaginal birth after ceasarean

### 03 I'd like (check below) present before AND/OR during labor

- Husband:\_\_\_\_\_
- My Mother:

# 04 During labour, I'd like

- Music played (I will provide)
- The room as quiet as possible
- As few interruptions as possible
- As few vaginal exams as possible
- Hospital staff limited to my own doctor and nurses (no students, residents or interns present)
- To wear my own clothes
- To wear my contact lens the entire time

- My \_\_\_\_\_\_to film AND/OR take pictures (For eg. Mother or Husband or Sister etc)
- My \_\_\_\_\_\_ to be present the entire time (For eg. Mother or Husband or Sister etc)
- To stay hydrated with clear liquids and ice chips (as approved by my doctor)
- To eat and drink as approved by my doctor

### 05 I'd like to spend the first stage of labour

- Standing up
- Lying down

- Walking around
- As per my doctor's advice



# Birth Plan

# 06 I'm not interested in

- An enema
- Shaving of my pubic area

- A urinary catheter
- An IV, unless I'm dehydrated (and a heparin or saline lock IS/IS NOT ok)

07 I'd like fetal monitoring to be	
<ul><li>Continuous</li><li>Intermittent</li><li>Internal</li></ul>	<ul><li>External</li><li>Performed only by Doppler</li><li>Performed only if the baby is in distress</li></ul>
08 I'd like labour augmentation	
<ul> <li>Performed only if baby is in distress</li> <li>Performed by rupture of the membrane</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Performed by stripping of the membrane</li> <li>Never to include an artificial rupture of the membrane</li> </ul>
09 For pain relief, I'd like to use	
<ul> <li>Acupressure</li> <li>Acupuncture</li> <li>Breathing techniques</li> <li>Cold therapy</li> <li>Distraction</li> <li>Massage</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Meditation, following doctor's instruction</li> <li>Standard epidural</li> <li>Walking epidural</li> <li>Nothing</li> <li>Only what I request at the time</li> <li>Whatever is suggested at the time</li> </ul>
10 During delivery, I would like to	
<ul> <li>Squat</li> <li>Semi-reline</li> <li>Lie on my side</li> <li>Be on my hands and knees</li> <li>Stand</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Lean on my(For eg. Mother or Husband or Sister)</li> <li>Use people for leg support</li> <li>Use foot pedals for support</li> <li>Use a birth bar for support</li> <li>Use a birthing stool</li> </ul>



# Birth Plan

# **11** As the baby is delivered, I would like to

- Push spontaneously
- Push as directed
- Push without time limits, as long as the baby and I are not at risk
- Let the epidural wear off while pushing
- Have a full dose of epidural

- Avoid forceps usage
- Avoid vacuum extraction
- Use whatever methods my doctor deems necessary
- Help catch the baby
- Let my \_\_\_\_\_ catch the baby (For eg. Mother or Husband or Sister etc)

### 12 I would like an episiotomy

- Used only after perineal massage, warm compresses and positioning
- Rather than risk a tear
- Not performed, even if it means risking a tear
- Performed only as a last resort
- Performed as my doctor considers necessary
- Performed with local anesthesia

### **13** Immediately after delivery, I would like

- My \_\_\_\_\_\_ to cut the umbilical cord (For eg. Mother or Husband or Sister etc)
- To deliver the placenta spontaneously and without assistance
- To see the placenta before it is discarded

### 14 If a C-section is necessary, I would like

- A second opinion
- To make sure all other options have been exhausted
- To stay conscious
- My partner to remain with my the entire time
- The screen lowered so I can watch baby come out

# 15 I would like to hold baby

- Immediately after delivery
- After suctioning
- After weighing

- My hands left free so I can touch the baby
- The surgery explained as it happens
- An epidural for anesthesia
- My \_\_\_\_\_ to hold the baby as soon as possible (For eg. Mother or Husband or Sister etc)
- To breastfeed as soon as I can



- After being wiped clean and swaddled
- Before eye drops/ointment are given



# Birth Plan

# 16 I would like to breastfeed

- As soon as possible after delivery
- Before eye drops/ointment are given
- Later

### 17 I'd like my family members (NAMES)

- To join me and baby immediately after delivery
- Only to see baby in the nursery
- To have unlimited visiting after birth
- To join me and baby in the room later

### 18 I'd like baby's medical exam and procedures

- Given in my presence
- Given only after we've bonded
- Given in my partner's presence
- To include a heel stick for screening tests beyond the PKU

R

- To include a hearing screening test
- To include a hepatitis B vaccine

# 19 Please don't give baby

- Sugar water
- Formula
- A pacifier

# 20 I'd like baby's first bath given

- In my presence
- In my \_\_\_\_\_\_ 's presence (For eg. Mother or Husband or Sister etc)
- By me
- By my partner

# 21 I'd like to feed baby

- Only with breastmilk
- Only with formula

- On schedule
- With the help of a lactation specialist

On demand



# Birth Plan

### 22 I would like to breastfeed

- All the time
- During the day
- Only when I'm awake

### 23 I'd like my partner

- To have unlimited visiting
- To sleep in my room

# 24 If we have a boy, circumcision should

- Be performed
- Not be performed
- Be performed later

Be performed with anesthesia

Only for feeding

Only when I request

Be performed in the presence of me AND/OR my partner

#### As needed post-delivery, please give me

- All information/instruction about breastfeeding
- All information/instruction about family planning
- All information/instruction about post-partum & follow up visits
- All information/instruction about baby care & follow up visits
- All information/instruction about circumcising baby boys
- All information/instruction about postpartum pain relief as per doctor's advice

# 26 After birth, I'd like to stay in the hospital

- As long as possible
- As briefly as possible

# 27 If baby is not well, I'd like

- My \_\_\_\_\_ and I to accompany it to the NICU or another facility (For eg. Mother or Husband or Sister etc)
- To breastfeed or provide pumped breast milk
- To hold him or her whenever possible