



# MODERN VILLAGE Midwifery

## Questions to Ask Your Midwife

1. Why did you become a midwife?
2. How many years have you been practicing?
3. How many births have you attended?
4. What are your training and certifications?
5. What is the most common reason you transport in labor?
6. What are the most common reasons a client would risk out of your practice before labor?
7. What is your transfer rate?
8. What is your style or bedside manner?
9. What makes you different/unique as a midwife?
10. Do you do a prenatal home visit?
11. Who will help you at my birth? What are their qualifications?
12. Do you have current CPR and Neonatal resuscitation training? Do your assistant(s)?
13. What happens if you have more than one client in labor at the same time?
14. Who is your backup midwife? Will I meet her before my birth?
15. Will student midwives be involved in my care? If so, how?
16. How many clients do you take per month?
17. How many births have you missed?
18. Do you have any vacations planned on or around my due date?
19. What is your preferred method of communication, prenatally (phone, email, text)?
20. Do you tend to recommend natural treatments in pregnancy or more medical treatments?
21. Do you have experience and recommendations for prenatal nutrition?
22. What methods of pain management do you recommend in labor?
23. What happens if I need a prescription for a medication during my pregnancy?
24. How often will I have appointments with you during my pregnancy? How long are they?
25. Are children or other family members allowed to come to my visits?
26. Do you require any specific prenatal testing in your practice?
27. What happens if I test positive for Group B Strep?
28. What does the 1st hour after a homebirth look like?
29. What does my postpartum care include?
30. Do you offer the newborn screenings at my postpartum visits?
31. How far past my due date can I go before I would need to be transferred for induction?
32. Do you have experience with postpartum hemorrhage, shoulder dystocia, breech baby or cord prolapse?
33. Do you carry emergency medications like oxygen or pitocin for postpartum hemorrhages? Why or why not?
34. What do you do to prevent tearing at the birth? What happens if I do tear?
35. What is the cost of your services? What all is included? When is the full fee due?
36. If I transfer before labor am I eligible for a refund?

37. Do you accept insurance?