



**17th March, 2020**

**To: Infectious Disease Control Administration and Hospital and Birthing Centre Staff;**

As a practicing doula recognized by the Doula Training Canada I am seeking entrance to support my client under my contractual obligation signed to the client when they chose to hire my services for additional private support.

I am up-to-date on your institutions infectious and disease control policies and am aware of current protocols for safety and sanitation, including by not limited to; proper hand washing, tool and surface sanitization, proper use of cleaning products, and general safety and sanitization procedures when it comes to labour and birthing environments.

Doula services contribute to birthing people's preparation for and support during childbirth.

I have been privately hired by your patient, and am seeking permission to continue my support of my client once I have been properly vetted for being a safe presence without symptoms or disease concerns.

Professionally trained Doulas are able to lessen the pressure of the medical team and provide care of an already overwhelmed system. They have long been recognized by SOGC as essential personnel and as a part of maternity care teams.

Upon the request of my client I wish to continue being an active participant in their labour and birthing experience and to work collaboratively with your institution to ensure I am supporting your safety policies and protocols at this time.