

## Am I eligible for the doula program?

If you are currently pregnant or just had your baby and are enrolled in a Simply plan, you are eligible to receive doula services.

#### How can I get more details?

Please call Simply Member Services at **844-406-2396** for Florida Medicaid, **877-440-3738** for Long-Term Care, or **TTY 711** Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Eastern time to learn more about our doula program.

Simply Healthcare Plans, Inc. follows Federal civil rights laws. We don't discriminate against people because of their:

• Age

Disability

- Race
- Color
- National origin
- Sex or gender identity



Do you need help with your healthcare, talking with us, or reading what we send you? Call us toll free at 844-406-2396 for Florida Medicaid, 877-440-3738 for Long-Term Care, or TTY 711 to get this for free in other languages or formats.

¿Necesita ayuda con su cuidado de la salud, para hablar con nosotros o leer lo que le enviamos? Llámenos a la línea gratuita al 844-406-2396 para Florida Medicaid, 877-440-3738 para Long-Term Care o TTY 711 para recibir esto gratuitamente en otros idiomas o formatos.

Èske ou bezwen èd ak swen sante ou, èd pou pale ak nou, oswa pou li sa nou voye ba ou? Rele nou gratis nan 844-406-2396 pou Florida Medicaid, 877-440-3738 pou Long-Term Care oswa TTY 711 pou w jwenn sa gratis nan lòt lang oswa nan lòt fòma.

Quý vị cần trợ giúp về chăm sóc sức khỏe, trò chuyện với chúng tôi, hoặc đọc những gì chúng tôi gửi cho quý vị? Gọi cho chúng tôi theo số miễn phí 844-406-2396 đối với Florida Medicaid hoặc 877-440-3738 đối với Long-Term Care hoặc TTY 711 để nhận miễn phí thông tin này bằng các ngôn ngữ hoặc định dạng khác.





# Are you pregnant?

The Simply Healthcare Plans, Inc. doula program can help support you

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#### What is a doula?

A doula is a non-clinical professional who provides physical, emotional, and informational support to mothers before, during, and after childbirth. A doula is also known as a birth companion, birth coach, or post-birth supporter.

#### What does a doula do?

A doula can help you along the pregnancy journey — while you are pregnant, during the delivery, and after you have your baby — at no cost to you.

#### Support

During your pregnancy, a doula can help you come up with a

birth plan, point you to childbirth classes, teach you about the birth experience, and go with you to your doctor visits, if it's OK with your doctor.

#### Labor and birth

During labor and birth, a doula can help guide you with methods

such as breathing, relaxation, movement, positioning, and comforting touch. A doula will work with both you and your doctor.

#### Post baby

After you have your baby, a doula can help you understand your baby's motions and sounds, suggest ways to soothe your child, and support your choice of feeding methods. A doula can also help you with taking care of your body and getting to your postpartum visits.

### What are the benefits of using a doula in childbirth?

Some of the many benefits of working with a doula include:\*

Shorter labors

Less need for epidurals and pain medications

Less use of forceps or vacuum

Fewer cesareans

More success with breastfeeding

More time to bond with your baby

An easier transition into parenthood

\* March of Dimes Position Statement, Doulas and Birth Outcomes, January 2019.

