

My Birth Plan

NAME <i>Your full name</i>	DUE DATE <i>DD / MM / YYYY</i>	PROVIDER / HOSPITAL <i>Doctor or midwife name</i>
BLOOD GROUP <i>e.g. O+</i>	☐ I have gestational diabetes	

LABOR PREFERENCES

☐ Birth partner(s) present:

☐ Freedom to move / change positions

☐ Music or a calm, dim atmosphere

☐ Pain relief: Unmedicated / epidural / open to either

☐ Continuous vs. intermittent fetal monitoring

☐ Doula or hypnobirthing techniques

Notes:

DELIVERY PREFERENCES

☐ Delayed cord clamping

☐ Immediate skin-to-skin contact

☐ Partner to help catch or announce baby's sex

☐ Comfort with episiotomy / forceps / vacuum if needed

☐ Photos or video during delivery

☐ Placenta preferences (delivery, viewing, saving)

☐ Preferred name if different from medical notes

Notes:

AFTER BIRTH / NEWBORN CARE

☐ Breastfeeding / chestfeeding as first feed

☐ Vitamin K shot / oral alternative

☐ Delay non-urgent newborn procedures (weighing, bathing)

☐ Partner present for all newborn procedures

☐ Rooming-in with baby

Notes:

IF A C-SECTION IS NEEDED

☐ Screen lowered to watch baby being born

☐ Music playing in the operating room

☐ Skin-to-skin as soon as medically possible

☐ Partner present throughout, if possible

☐ Delayed cord clamping, if medically appropriate

Notes:

BIRTH POSITIONS I'D LIKE TO TRY

☐ Birth ball

☐ Birth in bed

☐ Squatting

☐ Shower / Tub

☐ Standing

☐ All fours

☐ Birth stool

Notes:

VISITOR PREFERENCES

☐ Ready for visitors immediately after birth

☐ Prefer a delay before visitors (how long?:)

☐ Comfortable breastfeeding in front of visitors

☐ Prefer to breastfeed privately

Notes:

SPECIAL REQUESTS (CULTURAL, RELIGIOUS, OR PERSONAL)

☐ Interpreter or specific language support needed

☐ Religious or cultural practices to be aware of:

Notes:

Tip: Carry 2–3 copies — one for you, one for your birth partner, and one for your nurse or midwife.