

## Patient Information:

Name:	Date Of Birth:	SSN:
Address:	City:	Zip:
Primary Phone:	Other Phone:	Email:
Marital Status: Married___ In A Relationship ___ Single___ Widowed___ Divorced___	Do you live with your partner? Yes___ No___	
Ethnicity (optional, check all that apply): ___ Asian ___ Black or African American ___ Mixed Race ___ Native American or Alaskan Native ___ White ___ Other (Please specify: _____)	Do you identify as Hispanic or Latinx? Yes___ No___ ___ Puerto Rican ___ Cuban ___ Dominican ___ Mexican, Mexican American, or Chicano/a ___ Central or South American: _____ ___ Other: _____	
Date of Last Menstrual Period:	Height:	Highest level of education completed:
Estimated Due Date:	Pre-pregnancy weight:	Occupation:
Gender Identity (check all that apply): ___ Cisgender Man ___ Cisgender Woman ___ Transgender Man ___ Transgender Woman ___ Genderqueer/non-binary ___ Other, please specify: _____ ___ Choose not to disclose	Gender Pronouns (check all that apply): ___ She/Her/Hers ___ He/Him/His ___ They/Them/Theirs ___ Ze/Zir/Zirs ___ Ze/Hir/Hirs ___ Other (not specified): _____	Sexual Orientation: ___ Straight/Heterosexual ___ Lesbian/Gay/Homosexual ___ Bisexual ___ Pansexual ___ Queer ___ Other (opt'l: specify _____) ___ Choose not to disclose

### Spouse or Partner's Information (If Applicable):

Name:	Relationship:	Phone Number:
-------	---------------	---------------

### Other Emergency Contact:

Name:	Relationship:	Phone Number:
-------	---------------	---------------

### Insurance:

Have you completed a Verification of Benefit (VOB) form? Yes___ No___		
Do You Have Insurance? Yes___ No___ Is your plan a Medicaid Managed Care Plan? Yes___ No___	Insurance Company and Plan:	Group ID#: _____ Individual ID#: _____
Policy Holder Name, if Different than Patient:	Date Of Birth:	Relationship:
Address (if different from Patient):	City:	Zip:

### Communication:

Primary Language:	Can You Read English? Yes___ No___	Need An Interpreter? Yes___ No___
-------------------	------------------------------------	-----------------------------------

### Intended place of delivery:

Brooklyn Birthing Center

or

Jazz Birth Center of Manhattan

**Laboratory Testing:** Your current insurance information, if any, will be sent to the designated laboratory. You will receive a separate bill for the laboratory services for which you or your insurance will be responsible.

**Pregnancy:** You have a choice to see any or all of the midwives for your visits; however only the midwives pre-scheduled to be on call (24/7) for the Brooklyn Birthing Center and Jazz Birth Center of Manhattan will attend your delivery. Please indicate your choice of BBC or Jazz at time of labor.

**Payment:** We do not accept assignment of insurance unless we participate in-network as a provider in your insurance company. Therefore, if you do not have insurance or we are not in your insurance company's network, payment is due at the time of your visit and a receipt will be provided for you to submit to your insurance for reimbursement. If we accept your insurance, your insurance information must be presented at the time of visit or you will be held liable for denial of the claim for untimely filing. Please pay your co-payment at the time of your visit. There will be a \$25 charge for any returned check.

**Acknowledgement**

My signature below indicates that I agree to release any information requested for insurance purposes and to assign any and all my insurance benefits to my providers which include Brooklyn Midwifery Group, Brooklyn Birthing Center or Jazz Birth Center of Manhattan. **I also agree that, if patient balance billing is allowed, and in the event my insurance co denies payment for non-eligibility or incorrect or late information, then I will be responsible.**

Patient/Client Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## Consent for Verification of Benefit

Your providers, Brooklyn Midwifery Group, Brooklyn Birthing Center, and Jazz Birth Center request that all prenatal clients obtain a Verification of Benefits (VOB) statement from Digital Medical Billing. As a professional billing service, Digital Medical Billing (Digital) will abide by HIPAA standards in contacting your insurance and a written statement of your benefits and anticipated out-of-pocket costs, help you to obtain required authorizations, and negotiate single case agreements, if necessary. Digital charges \$25 for this service. However, Digital will not be held responsible if an insurance payer provides misinformation or changes its policy during your pregnancy.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (patient name), give consent to Digital Medical Billing to contact my insurance and obtain verification of benefits as provided in below information:

Patient Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Intended Birth Center: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Expected Due Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Insurance carrier: \_\_\_\_\_ Member ID #: \_\_\_\_\_

Policy Holder Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Policy Holder Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

I confirm that I have provided any active primary or secondary insurance for all my coverage.

Patient Signature \_\_\_\_\_

### CREDIT CARD INFORMATION

Card Holder Name, Address and Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ Security CVV Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card Holder Signature, if other than Patient \_\_\_\_\_

- **Please e-mail this signed and completed form together with a clear image of your insurance card (front and back) to Molly at [digitalbillingcorp@gmail.com](mailto:digitalbillingcorp@gmail.com):**

Digital will contact you if more information is needed. You can expect to receive a completed Verification of Benefits Statement within 2 – 3 business days.

**Thank you for your cooperation!**

---

For Internal Use Only:

Athena ID#: \_\_\_\_\_

Prior approval needed from insurance? \_\_\_\_\_

Status of approval: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional notes: \_\_\_\_\_

# GENERAL INFORMED CONSENT AND AGREEMENT

## INFORMATION

Childbirth is viewed as a healthy process. It is a family experience that is shared emotionally, physically and spiritually as the family joins together in welcoming its newest member.

We take responsibility to inform childbearing families of their options in birth settings and the risks and benefits of choosing any of these settings, which we explain in our Orientation session requiring attendance. The setting chosen should be one considered safe and satisfying in meeting the needs expressed by the family unit.

We offer birthing at our two licensed and private free standing birthing centers, Brooklyn Birthing Center and Jazz Birth Center of Manhattan (BBC/JAZZ). The team support includes licensed midwives, physician consultants, Medical Director, Midwifery Director, nurses and trained birth assistants. When you register for care with the Brooklyn Midwifery Group (BMG), you can expect that your prenatal care, birth and postpartum care will be provided only by our staff midwives. Your providers will share all relevant information to your care and you may participate in shared decision-making.

**It is the policy of BBC/JAZZ that the family may choose an out-of-hospital birth and eligible, if:**

1. The expectant mother has an uncomplicated medical and obstetrical history
2. The expectant mother has a present pregnancy that is proceeding normally
3. Both partners are in complete agreement about the site of birth
4. The expectant mother and her family have chosen to assume the added responsibilities that may be required in choosing an out-of-hospital birth.

It is important that the expectant mother and her family understand that all childbirth carries some risk to mother and baby, regardless of site of birth. Certain hazards that exist when birth occurs in a hospital do not exist in alternative settings. Likewise, certain hazards that exist when birth occurs in alternative settings do not exist in the hospital.

Studies of different birth settings have indicated that the outcomes for low-risk women and babies are comparable when birth occurs in the hospital or birth center, if not better in a birth center. The staff at BBC and JAZZ take every reasonable precaution in accordance with evidence based best practices and standard of care issued by the national accrediting agency for birth centers, Commission for Accreditation of Birth Centers (CABC). However complications may arise suddenly and unpredictably and share with you the following types of medical problems which could occur in pregnancy, labor or birth, regardless of the site of birth:

### Major Complications

1. Fetal Distress—lack of oxygen for the baby while he or she is still in the uterus
2. Neonatal asphyxia—lack of oxygen for the baby after birth
3. Maternal hemorrhage—excess blood loss during labor or after
4. Preeclampsia or toxemia (pregnancy-induced high blood pressure)
5. Amniotic fluid embolism—a drop of amniotic fluid enters the mother's bloodstream causing clots
6. Uterine rupture—uterus splits open
7. Cardiac arrest—heart stops beating

### **Complications Involving the Placenta**

1. Placenta Previa—placenta partially or completely covers the opening of the uterus
2. Placenta abruption—placenta separates from wall of uterus before baby is born
3. Retained placenta—all or part if placenta remains inside uterus for an extended time after birth

### **Complications Involving the Pelvis**

1. Cephalopelvic disproportion—baby is too large to fit through mother's pelvis
2. Shoulder dystocia—baby's shoulders become lodged in mothers pelvis after baby's head is born

### **Complications Involving the Baby**

1. Rupture of membranes without labor—amniotic fluid sac breaks prior to onset of labor and labor does not spontaneously begin
2. Cord prolapse or other cord problems—umbilical cord is compressed cutting off oxygen to baby
3. Multiple gestation—presence of more than one baby (twins, triplets, etc.)
4. Malpresentation—baby is in some position other than the normal head-first position
5. Stillborn—baby dies in mother's uterus before birth
6. Meconium—stained amniotic fluid-baby has bowel movement inside uterus
7. Congenital anomalies—birth defects
8. Immaturity or post-maturity—baby is born too early or too late
9. Hyperbilirubinemia—jaundice (yellow skin) in newborn caused by too much bilirubin in baby's body after birth

## **CONSENT AND AGREEMENT**

### **1. Physical Examination**

I authorize the staff midwives and birth assistants to perform, according to the expertise of each discipline and licensure, medical examinations upon my person to confirm general health and pregnancy status, obtain the usual specimens and perform the usual diagnostic procedures, including, but not limited to: 1) drawing blood, 2) pregnancy tests, 3) urinalysis, 4) determination of blood pressure, 5) internal examination, with and without instruments, 6) obtaining rectal, vaginal, and cervical specimens, including Pap smear. I understand that, even when the above are properly and correctly done, there is potential for infection, tissue damage and other unpredictable medical conditions. I agree that the nurse-midwives, medical consultants and nurses shall be responsible for the performance of their own professional acts only, and the test results shall be the responsibility of the performing lab.

### **2. Authority to Treat**

I authorize the midwives, their physician consultants and nurses to treat and administer, as necessary to me and my baby: 1) health care, including prenatal education; 2) telehealth care from the midwife team at the Brooklyn Birthing Center or Jazz Birthing Center; 3) physical examinations as necessary, 4) diagnostic test and procedures by obtaining blood or other specimens; 5) oral, intramuscular, subcutaneous and intravenous medications and local anesthesia; 6) intravenous infusions; 7) labor and delivery; 8) episiotomy with repair, and/or repair of laceration; 9) postpartum care, including home visits; 10) newborn care initially after birth, including Vitamin K injection and the application of Erythromycin ointment to infant's eyes; 11) other procedures related to childbirth as may be deemed necessary. The administration of this care may be in the office, birth center, hospital or elsewhere. I grant the midwives full authority to administer and perform all medications, treatments, diagnostic procedures, examinations and ministrations to or upon me and my baby, with the assistance of the birth assistants.

### **3. Referrals during Pregnancy**

I understand that the BBC staff will be vigilant to recognize signs which may indicate that the course of pregnancy might deviate from normal, even though such deviation may not necessarily affect the outcome of pregnancy adversely. In such judgment of staff midwives, Midwife Director or Medical Director, the management of my pregnancy shall be transferred to the physician of my choice or my care will be managed collaboratively by the midwives and their physician consultants.

### **4. Complications of Pregnancy and Birth**

I have read and understand there is a list of complications of pregnancy and birth. I am aware that the birth center staff takes every reasonable precaution to ensure my safety, comfort and satisfaction. I understand that these complications may arise suddenly or unpredictably. I am aware that the practices of midwifery, medicine and nursing are not exact sciences. I acknowledge that no guarantees or assurances have been made to me concerning the results of treatment, examinations and procedures to be performed.

### **5. Preparation**

I agree to prepare for pregnancy and childbirth through attendance at childbirth classes with a support person, if available. This includes preparation to perform emergency childbirth should labor proceed rapidly. I will prepare myself, to the extent possible, to attempt an unmedicated physiologic birth, without narcotic analgesics, sedatives, tranquilizers or anesthesia.

### **6. History and Rights to Withdraw**

I understand that the safety of care by the midwives and their consulting physicians and out-of-hospital birth depends upon honest and truthful information about my medical conditions. I affirm that such information is, and will be, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. In addition, I agree to follow all the rules, regulations and policies issued by the birth centers and staff. I also understand that I may voluntarily choose not to remain in the care of Brooklyn Midwifery Group, Brooklyn Birthing Center or Jazz Birth Center and may transfer care at any time to a midwife, physician or hospital; for myself and/or my baby.

### **7. Data Collection, Research and Student Participation**

Brooklyn Birthing Center participates in the American Association of Birth Centers' Perinatal Data Registry (PDR) a national registry of data collected from birth centers and midwives and required for accreditation by the CABC. Participation involves allowing unidentifiable information from my medical record regarding my pregnancy to be entered into a secure online data registry. The care that I receive during pregnancy, labor, birth and postpartum, and

the care that my newborn receives is not affected as a result of participation by our birth centers in this data registry. My health record from my pregnancy may be reviewed as part of the audit process administered by staff of the CABC administrators during a site visit in order to confirm that the data entered is accurate and truthful.

I understand that information about me and my pregnancy will be kept confidential and secure, and only the allowed access by staff providers working with Brooklyn Midwifery Group, BBC or JAZZ and/or AABC's Perinatal Data Registry, and CABC. As required by the federal Privacy Rule (HIPAA), no identifying information will be seen by those conducting PDR except my infant's date of birth and my 5-digit zip code.

I understand that my PDR data will be kept on file, and may be used later by other researchers who are studying specific parts of birth center or midwifery care. My information will be completely de-identified prior to being used by any researcher, and all information, including my infant's date of birth and zip code, will be removed.

In an effort to support the development of birth center and midwifery care, I consent to the sharing of information from my medical records for statistical reporting and publication, as long as my confidentiality is ensured.

I also understand that BBC or JAZZ may, from time to time, be used for the purpose of teaching students. I have the option of permitting, limiting or refusing student participation in my care (see Consent to Participate in Student Training).

## **8. Transfer to Hospital**

I agree to transfer from the birth center to a hospital in the event of a circumstance in which the midwife determines that hospital care is required or advised. Should hospitalization become necessary, my records will be made available to the doctor and/or hospital staff. In the event of an emergency, I understand that I will be transferred to the hospital and the physician considered appropriate by the midwife, according to standard procedures of our practice protocols and policies. Depending upon the nature of the complication, and the hospital to which I am transferred, my care at the hospital will be managed either by a midwife or obstetrician who may not be affiliated to our practice. All hospital and physician expenses incurred at that time, or any other time, shall be my obligation and are not included in the birth center fees. In the case of BBC, there is a written transfer agreement with Maimonides Medical Center and in the case of JAZZ, there is a written transfer agreement with Mt. Sinai West Hospital.

## **9. Postpartum Responsibilities**

I understand that the birth center staff will provide all normal postpartum care, including a home visit within 24-48 hours after birth, unless restricted by Covid-19 guidelines issued by the state of New York. The licensed midwife will perform an initial newborn physical assessment at time of birth. It is my obligation to arrange for pediatric care to begin immediately upon discharge of the infant from care at BBC or Jazz. I understand that, if my baby is born at the birth center, my pediatrician/family physician/nurse practitioner must see the infant within 72 hours of birth. I will provide the name and phone number of my chosen pediatrician to the birth center staff by 35 weeks gestation. If my baby is born in a hospital, a pediatrician/family physician will manage the baby's care in the hospital.

I understand that childbirth and the early postpartum period are stressful times for families, both physically and emotionally and I may need assistance which includes obtaining a support person for any sibling who will be present for the labor and/or birth, if allowed. I understand that if I am unable to make these arrangements, I will not be eligible for an out-of-hospital birth.

## 10. Wheelchair Accessibility

I understand that the Brooklyn Birthing Center's wheelchair lift may be out of service. I understand that the birthing center floor is six steps above the sidewalk level, and the midwifery group's office is six steps below the sidewalk level. Brooklyn Birthing Center and Brooklyn Midwifery Group staff members are willing to assist guests with limited mobility when safety and staffing allow. Please contact the staff to discuss any concerns about building accessibility.

## 11. Miscellaneous

Brooklyn Birthing Center presently has capacity to care for three laboring, delivering, or postpartum clients simultaneously. In the extremely unlikely event that BBC is at capacity when I require admission, I understand that I have a choice to birth at Jazz Birth Center which accommodates 4 available birthing rooms.

## 12. Specimen/Tissue Disposal

I hereby consent to disposal of my placenta by Brooklyn Birthing Center, according to standard medical waste procedures, unless I desire to take with my placenta at time of discharge or a staff midwife determines the need to send tissue of the placenta for pathology evaluation

## Affirmation

I have attended a tour or virtual orientation session conducted by the BBC or JAZZ staff. I have read the *General Informed Consent and Agreement* packet and the NEW OB Packet, including the *Statement of Client's Rights and Responsibilities* and the section titled, *Financial Obligation of the BBC Client*. I know that I may request another copy of these documents for my records if I so choose.

I have read and understood all of the above thoroughly, as well as had an opportunity to discuss it with a staff midwife provider and allowed to ask any questions which have been fully satisfied. I hereby give consent for treatment and care for myself and my baby.

Client Name (Print): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Client Privacy Notification Form - HIPAA

THIS NOTICE DESCRIBES HOW MEDICAL INFORMATION ABOUT YOU MAY BE USED AND DISCLOSED AND HOW YOU CAN ACCESS THIS INFORMATION. PLEASE REVIEW IT CAREFULLY.

### Notice Section

This form declares Brooklyn Birthing Center, Inc. (BBC) and Jazz Birth Center of Manhattan (JAZZ) Privacy Notice policies. BBC and JAZZ, hereinafter BBC, as a Covered Health Care Entity under the Health Information Portability and Protection Act of 1996 (HIPAA), is obligated to protect the privacy of your health information to the best of its ability. Under the provisions of HIPAA, we are authorized to use your Client Health Information (PHI) for routine treatment, payment, and health care operations without your explicit consent. This type of disclosure must be part of approved routine business transactions relating to payment, treatment, or health care operations, excepting psychotherapy notes, which may not be released. These transactions will normally be with other hospital or insurer business associates, who may have already obtained Client consents in these instances, or already have a direct or indirect treatment relationship with the individual.

Other instances when disclosure does **NOT** require your explicit consent:

- The disclosure is made under an HHS-approved exception, such as to parents of a minor or an individual authorized to act on behalf of another individual.
- You yourself make an official disclosure request.
- The requester is an approved government entity of a health oversight agency.
- The law requires the disclosure.
- The disclosure relates to public health activities.
- The entity has reason to believe the individual may be a victim of abuse or neglect.
- The disclosure relates to judicial or administrative proceedings.
- The disclosure relates to law enforcement purposes.
- The disclosure relates to workers' compensation.
- The situation is an emergency. Consent must be obtained as soon as is reasonably possible.
- Consent has been attempted and has been determined impossible to obtain, but may be reasonably inferred or expected given the circumstances.
- **Joint Consent:** If BBC has already entered into a Consent Agreement with the Client as part of a Joint Consent authorized for another health care entity, we will be considered as authorized regarding the provisions of that Disclosure Consent Notice.

**Any other use of disclosure of your health information requires your direct written consent.** Should BBC require your consent, you will be notified and asked to sign a Client Disclosure Authorization. You may refuse to sign this authorization. BBC will not condition treatment, payment, enrollment, in a health plan, or eligibility for benefits on the individual's providing authorization for the requested use or disclosure. Subsequent to signing the Client Disclosure Authorization, you may revoke such authorization by notifying us in writing at any time. Should you do so, any action taken by us prior to revocation that relied upon the Client's consent shall still be considered valid, to the extent that it was relied upon. Your authorization may also contain an expiration date or event limiting the duration of the authorization.

You, the Client may also request stricter restrictions regarding the routine business transactions (payments, treatment, and health care operations) described above. BBC is **NOT** required by law to agree to these restrictions, but will consider each request individually.

BBC also reserves the right to change the terms of this privacy notice at any time. You may obtain a copy of this Notice at any time, by mail, e-mail or other electronic means. This Notice is effective April 14, 2012.

### **Client Access Request Section**

Your medical Record is the physical property of our medical concern. You do, however, have rights with respect to your health information. You have the right to:

- Review this Notice of Privacy Practices.
- Authorize uses and disclosures of health information for purposes other than treatment, payment and health operations.
- **Opt-out of disclosure of information to family members or others who may be assisting with your care.**
- Request restrictions on certain uses and disclosures of your health information (however our office is not required to agree to such restrictions).
- Inspect and copy your own health information within reasonable times and availability, and upon proper written notice signed by you, which could incur a charge as allowed by state law.
- Under certain circumstances, to appeal denials of access to your own health information.
- Amend incorrect or incomplete health information, subject to certain limitations.
- Obtain an accounting of disclosures of your health information disclosed after April 14, 2003, subject to certain limitations including a request in writing by you.
- Request communication of your health information by alternative means or at alternative locations. For instance, you may ask that messages not be left on voice mail or correspondence not be sent to your address.
- Revoke your authorization to use or disclose your health information.
- File a complaint with this office or with the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services if you believe your privacy rights have been violated.

### **Service Delivery Sites to which this notice applies:**

Brooklyn Birthing Center, Inc. 2183 Ocean Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11229

Brooklyn Midwifery Group, 2183 Ocean Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11229

Jazz Birth Center, 940 8th Avenue, Manhattan, NY 10019

### **Our Pledge**

Your privacy is important to us. BBC will do its utmost to protect your Client Health Information both internally and externally, and adhere to federal privacy guidelines. For comments, questions, privacy concerns, or complaints, please contact our Midwifery Director, Jessica Henman, 2183 Ocean Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11229. Tel 718-336-4119; E-mail: [Jessica@jazzbirthcenter.com](mailto:Jessica@jazzbirthcenter.com).

## Client Disclosure Authorization Form

I acknowledge Brooklyn Birthing Center and Jazz Birth Center have provided me with the HIPAA Privacy Notification Form, which details my rights under the Health Information Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA).

I hereby give authorization to disclose my Protected Health Information (PHI) only in the specific manner outlined and to the specific individual(s) directed below.

**Recipient of Information:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Client: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Client: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Client: \_\_\_\_\_

**Manner(s) of communication allowed regarding my PHI:**

- |                                    |   |
|------------------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Telephone | <input type="checkbox"/> Mail   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fax       | <input type="checkbox"/> Email <input type="checkbox"/> Athena Portal |

**Restrictions to Disclosure:**

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Access all medical records | <input type="checkbox"/> Test results only |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Last visit only            | <input type="checkbox"/> other _____       |

I understand this authorization provides that:

- I have the right to access any protected health information to be used or disclosed.
- I may revoke this authorization at any time by contacting your office in writing or email: [info@brooklynbirthingcenter.com](mailto:info@brooklynbirthingcenter.com).
- Information used or disclosed pursuant to this authorization may be subject to re-disclosure and no longer be protected by HIPAA rules.
- BBC will not condition treatment on my providing authorization of the requested use.
- I will receive a copy of this completed and signed authorization form, as requested.

Client Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## EMR MEDICATION HISTORY AUTHORITY

I hereby give my permission for Birthing Medical Group, Brooklyn Birthing Center and Jazz Birth Center of Manhattan to obtain my medication history for the period of the last 13 months using our national pharmacy registry. I understand that this information will automatically populate my electronic medical records (chart).

---

Name

---

Signature

---

Date

## Informed Consent to Perform HIV testing

My health care provider has answered any questions I have about HIV/AIDS. I have been provided information with the following details about HIV testing:

HIV is the virus that causes AIDS and can be transmitted through unprotected sex (vaginal, anal, or oral sex) with someone who has HIV; contact with blood as in sharing needles (piercing, tattooing, drug equipment including needles), by HIV-infected pregnant women to their infants during pregnancy or delivery, or while breast feeding.

- There are treatments for HIV/AIDS that can help an individual stay healthy.
- Individuals with HIV/AIDS can adopt safe practices to protect uninfected and infected people in their lives from becoming infected or becoming infected themselves with different strains of HIV.
- Testing is voluntary and can be done anonymously at a public testing center.
- The law protects the confidentiality of HIV test results and other related information.
- The law prohibits discrimination based on an individual's HIV status and services are available to help with such consequences.
- The law allows an individual's informed consent for HIV related testing to be valid for such testing until such consent is revoked by the subject of the HIV test or expires by its terms.

I agree to be tested for HIV infection. If the results show I have HIV, I agree to additional testing which may occur on the sample I provide today to determine the best treatment for me and to help guide HIV prevention programs. I also agree to future tests to guide my treatment. I understand that I can withdraw my consent for future tests at any time. If I test positive for HIV infection, I understand that my health care provider will talk with me about telling sex or needle-sharing partners of possible exposure.

I may revoke my consent verbally or in writing at any time. As long as this consent is in force, my provider may conduct additional tests without asking me to sign another consent form. In those cases, my provider will tell me if other HIV tests will be performed and will note this in my record.

Client's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Client's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

### Important Note

When a Client is unable to sign, a legally authorized person should sign on the Client's behalf and complete the following with their own information. If more than one person is signing, each person should fill out the information below (attach additional pages, if necessary):

Client's Representative's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Client's Representative's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Client: \_\_\_\_\_

If person signing is not the nearest relative, please print name, address, and telephone number of nearest relative.

## Lactation Information and Consent

Brooklyn Birthing Center provides breastfeeding classes and individual breastfeeding counseling to all of our expecting clients and their families. Breastfeeding is a skill that takes knowledge and practice to be successful. All clients are required to attend one of our prenatal breastfeeding classes or an individual consultation with one of our lactation consultants. These sessions provide women and their families an opportunity to learn about how their breasts produce milk, how to breastfeed their babies, and how to make sure their babies are getting the breast milk they need to grow and thrive. In our group classes, clients have a chance to learn from each other's questions and to have conversations about their fears and aspirations about breastfeeding their baby.

The individual or one-on-one breastfeeding counseling sessions allow Clients to ask specific questions about her anatomy and physiology and to get feedback on the struggles she may personally face. It is also a time to discuss the support systems in the Clients' life and who is going to care for the breastfeeding client and baby.

**Before scheduling an appointment for either our breastfeeding class or a one-on-one breastfeeding session, please call your insurance to make sure this service is covered. Brooklyn Birthing Center can provide you with a list of insurances that may cover the class or session if you ask, however this is not a guarantee that your insurance will pay. Please note that our breastfeeding classes and breastfeeding one on one sessions are at a fee of \$55 each visit for mom and a one-time fee of \$55 for baby. This will be the Clients' responsibility to pay in the event your insurance does not cover the service.**

Client Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Client Health Questionnaire

**Over the last 2 weeks, how often have you been bothered by any of the following problems?**

- |   | Not at all            | Several days          | More than half the days | Nearly every day      |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Little interest or pleasure in doing things  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/> |
| 2. Feeling down, depressed, or hopeless   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/> |
| 3. Trouble falling or staying asleep, or sleeping too much  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/> |
| 4. Feeling tired or having little energy  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/> |
| 5. Poor appetite or overeating  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/> |
| 6. Feeling bad about yourself, or that you are a failure or have let yourself or your family down   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/> |
| 7. Trouble concentrating on things, such as reading the newspaper or watching television  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/> |
| 8. Moving or speaking so slowly that other people could have noticed. Or the opposite—being so fidgety or restless that you have been moving around a lot more than usual | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/> |
| 9. Thoughts that you would be better off dead, or of hurting yourself   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/>   | <input type="radio"/> |

10. If you checked off any problems, how difficult have these problems made it for you to do your work, take care of things at home, or get along with other people. (Circle one)

Not difficult at all     
  Somewhat difficult     
  Very difficult     
  Extremely difficult

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Nutrition Assessment Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Pre-pregnancy weight: \_\_\_\_\_

Current weight: \_\_\_\_\_ Weeks gestation: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please circle any digestive problems you have:**

Lack of appetite

Nausea

Vomiting

Diarrhea

Constipation

Chewing / Swallowing Difficulty

Heartburn / Indigestion

Reflux

How do you deal with this problem?

\_\_\_\_\_

Do you currently take any medications/vitamins/supplements/herbals?

\_\_\_\_\_

Do you smoke/drink alcohol/use drugs? If yes, indicate amount

\_\_\_\_\_

Do you now or have you ever suffered with eating disorders / weight / nutrition problems? If yes, describe:

\_\_\_\_\_

Do you have enough money to buy food for yourself?

Who shops for food? \_\_\_\_\_ Who cooks your food? \_\_\_\_\_

Typical method of preparing your food: bake broil boil steaming frying

Do you have facilities available to cook your food? \_\_\_\_\_

How many times per week do you eat out? \_\_\_\_\_ Types of food you eat when out? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you keep a special diet (vegetarian / vegan / gluten free, etc.)? \_\_\_\_\_

How would you describe your daily activity level: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you exercise regularly? (type, how many X per week for how long) \_\_\_\_\_

Do you drink water regularly? \_\_\_\_\_ # of glasses of water per day \_\_\_\_\_

Circle meals you eat regularly: Breakfast Lunch Dinner

Do you skip meals regularly? \_\_\_\_\_ How often? \_\_\_\_\_

In a typical day how often do you snack? \_\_\_\_\_ Examples of snacks: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you typically (circle): eat dinner with family eat in front of TV eat in bed eat on the run

**24-hour Diet Recall**

Please list the type of food and the amount eaten in the past 24 hours.

Breakfast:

Lunch:

Dinner:

## LEAD SCREENING EVALUATION FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

You may be exposed to high levels of lead without knowing it. Please answer the following questions.

1. Do you live in a house that was built before 1960 with recent or ongoing renovations, including painting, sanding or remodeling?

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes                      \_\_\_\_\_ No                      \_\_\_\_\_ Don't know

2. Do you or others in your household have a job that may involve lead exposure? (Examples: automotive repair workers, motor vehicle worker, industrial machinist, oil field workers, storage battery or battery recycling workers, glass makers, pottery makers, plumbers, brass/copper casters, valve and pipe fitters, battery worker, inorganic pigment users, smelting, foundry, and refining workers, firing range workers, elevated highway constructors, building renovation or demolition, bridge/tunnel construction.)

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes                      \_\_\_\_\_ No                      \_\_\_\_\_ Don't know

3. Do you have any traditional folk remedies or cosmetics that are not bought in a regular drugstore? Or are homemade, such as Alkohol, Azarcon Bali-goli, Ghazard, Greta, Suma, and Paylooah?

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes                      \_\_\_\_\_ No                      \_\_\_\_\_ Don't know

4. Have you had the urge to eat things other than food, such as clay, dirt, plaster, paint chips or ice?

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes                      \_\_\_\_\_ No                      \_\_\_\_\_ Don't know

5. Do you or others in your household have a hobby or activity likely to cause lead exposure? (Examples: making stained glass, copper enameling, bronze casting, pottery making, jewelry making, casting ammunition/fish weights, collecting and other fine arts, liquor distillation, hunting and target shooting?)

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes                      \_\_\_\_\_ No                      \_\_\_\_\_ Don't know

6. Do you use leaded crystal glassware or pottery that was handmade or homemade?

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes                      \_\_\_\_\_ No                      \_\_\_\_\_ Don't know

7. Does your house, school, workplace, or other site you frequent contain lead pipes, solder, or have lead in the water?

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes                      \_\_\_\_\_ No                      \_\_\_\_\_ Don't know

Interviewer's signature \_\_\_\_\_

Serum Level indicated: \_\_\_\_\_ Yes                      \_\_\_\_\_ No                      \_\_\_\_\_ Refer to M.D.