

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Department of Health Care Finance



Office of the Senior Deputy Director-Medicaid Director

Transmittal # 24-32

TO: District of Columbia Medicaid Providers

FROM: Melisa Byrd *M.B.*
Senior Deputy Director and Medicaid Director

DATE: November 21, 2024

SUBJECT: New Doula Certification Entities Added for DHCF Enrollment

Purpose

Effective immediately, the Department of Health Care Finance (DHCF) will expand the number of certifying entities that are considered to provide an acceptable doula certification to qualify for enrollment with DHCF. This change is intended to improve access to doulas by broadening the number of doulas who may enroll with DHCF.

All other requirements laid out in [Transmittal #23-34](#) and [Transmittal #22-39](#) are still applicable to doulas registering with DHCF. This Transmittal does not affect the status of any other certifying entities in relationship to the DHCF enrollment process.

Details

Acceptable doula certification will include certifications from the following doula training entities:

25. National Black Doula Association
26. Cornerstone Birth Work Training
27. Birthing Kind
28. Rayn Health & Wellness
29. Anew Doula, LLC
30. A Queen Momma Doula Services
31. Not Your Average Doula
32. CocoLife
33. Birthing Advocacy Doula Trainings
34. Birthing Arts International

Contact

If you have any questions about this transmittal, please contact Don Shearer, Director, Health Care Operations Administration via email at donald.shearer@dc.gov; or Taylor Woods, Special Projects Officer, Health Care Policy and Research Administration via email at taylor.woods2@dc.gov.

Cc: DC Behavioral Health Association
DC Coalition of Disability Service Providers
DC Health Care Association
DC Home Health Association
DC Hospital Association
DC Primary Care Association
Medical Society of the District of Columbia