

Top 10 Questions to Ask a Doula

- 1. Will you answer my questions without bias?
- 2. Will you judge me if I make different decisions than you would?
- 3. Will you respect the relationship my partner and I have, even with all of its imperfections?
- 4. Are you equipped with a variety of strategies for supporting all types of labor and birth?
- 5. Are you competent and capable?
- 6. Are you accountable and available?
- 7. Do you have a back-up system in place in the event that you are unavailable?
- 8. Do you have a legal contract in place?
- 9. Did you take a hands on, in-person doula training?
- 10. Are you supported by a reputable training organization with a grievance policy in place?

These top 10 questions to ask a doula, will give you a great starting point when you meet with doulas.

Remember these 3 rules:

Allow the conversation to flow naturally as if you are meeting a friend.

Try to imagine this person supporting you and your partner as you welcome your baby.

Trust your intuition!