



GEBOREN IN GENT  
met vree wijze vroedvrouwen

## Agreement

With this agreement we wish to inform you about the different fees our practice charges for the midwifery care during your pregnancy, the birth of your baby and beyond.

- If you wish to be cared for by our midwives for antenatal checks, labour, delivery, postnatal care and/or breastfeeding support, we charge a €50 **administration cost** for drawing up, managing and safekeeping your medical record, and for any phone and e-mail communication. We ask that you make the deposit to the bank account number registered to Geboren in Gent: BE58 6451 0260 1379. This deposit serves as a confirmation of the care we will provide you with. This sum is not reimbursed if, further down the line, you decide to choose other care providers and no longer wish to be cared for by our midwives.
- During these antenatal checks we provide medical care and a breastfeeding introduction that gives all information about the first steps of breastfeeding. There is also an opportunity to participate in our prenatal classes and information sessions by our professional partners.
- For medical antenatal consultations we use the so-called '**third party payer system**'. Therefore we ask you to bring a proof (sticker) of your health insurance.
- For **antenatal group information** sessions a patient contribution of €15 per session is charged. The patient contribution is €30 for individual antenatal information sessions.
- If you wish to be cared for by us for labour and delivery, we charge an **on call fee**. It is €150 for labour at home only, or €300 for labour at home and midwife-led delivery in the hospital. For a homebirth we charge an on call fee of €300 for patients living within a 20 kilometer radius. For patients that live further away, we charge an on call fee of €350. This fee includes:
  - ✓ Midwife on call 24/7 for 5 weeks (= 37 to 42 weeks of pregnancy)
  - ✓ Transportation cost during your labour
  - ✓ Our midwives' care in the hospital setting

- ✓ Remuneration for the 2<sup>nd</sup> midwife on call (in case of a homebirth)

The on call fee should be deposited before the 37<sup>th</sup> week of pregnancy. When the on call weeks have begun, the fee will no longer be reimbursed. If our care is not used in the hospital, only €100 will be reimbursed from the on call fee.

- For any consultation after delivery, the “**third party payer system**” is applied once again.
- We charge a mileage fee for house calls before and after the delivery. This comprises a minimum €5 charge per visit with an additional €0.35 per kilometer driven. Our practice’s address serves as the starting and ending point for the calculation of mileage.
- We would like to inform you that all your medical records will be kept safely. We would like to ask your permission to use this records for communications between the midwives or other professionals when necessary.

Please let us know which care you desire. We keep your spot available on our patient list as soon as we receive your **written confirmation** via e-mail, stating your wishes for the care during your pregnancy and birth.

If any of these costs are difficult for you to manage, please talk about it with your midwife. We are happy to look into it together to see what we can do for you.