Full Spectrum Doula and Childbirth Educator Certification The National Center for Equity and Agency

Cost \$499 for Full Spectrum Doula \$399 for Birth Doula Only

Objectives:

- To certify birth support professionals who keep Diversity, Equity, and Belonging as the central tenets of their work.
- To provide communities with members who can offer education, referrals, and emotional support through many reproductive experiences including pregnancy, birth, abortion, miscarriage, and stillbirth.
- To assure that all doulas leave with the skills to educate on reproductive experiences and create empowered students who feel agency in their choices.

Course Outline

Each section includes a lecture, worksheet, and further reading resources. Three 1:1 coaching calls are scheduled throughout

Doula 101: What is a doula? The term and its history How the role of a doula works What it does and does not include

Reproductive Justice: What is RJ? What are the benefits of hiring a doula? Research on birth outcomes How structural inequality impacts birth outcomes

Cultural Humility: The difference between cultural competency and cultural humility Working with communities you do and do not belong to Addressing internalized bias

Queer Inclusion: What does it mean to be queer inclusive? The LGBTQ community and identities 101 The importance of understand cis-normativity and compulsory heterosexuality Working with queer and trans/non-binary clients Supporting Survivors: How does trauma impact clients? The impact of trauma on the brain Trauma-informed practices in reproductive support Birth trauma and obstetric violence

Accessibility & Ableism: Understand disability inclusion Spoon theory Supporting clients with physical and/or mental disabilities Ableism in healthcare

Birth Support: Pregnancy Labor & Delivery Feeding Baby Postpartum Care

Abortion Support: Types of abortion What to expect Doulas and abortion care

Teaching Childbirth and Reproductive Care: Pedagogical approaches Creating an engaging learning environment Curriculum design

Guest Lectures

Teddy the Doula- Male Doulas & Birthing Partner Support Kathleen, Indigo River Doula Services- The Power of Representation Shyana Broughton, Our Mommie Village- The Power of Community Jasenka Hrustanovic- The Power of Lived Experience