

WAC 182-533-0680 Birth doula services—Telemedicine. The medic-aid agency pays for birth doula services provided via telemedicine according to WAC 182-501-0300 and the limitations in this section.

(1) The agency pays for birth doula services provided via telemedicine when one of the following are met:

(a) The prenatal intake visit is provided in person;

(b) The first visit with a new birth doula is provided in person if the client changes their birth doula;

(c) When initiating care postpartum, the first visit is in person; and

(d) The servicing provider for the telemedicine service uses the same billing provider's national provider identifier (NPI) used to bill for any of the visits referenced in this subsection.

(2) The agency does not pay for the following birth doula services provided via telemedicine:

(a) The prenatal intake visit;

(b) The first visit with a new birth doula if the client changes their birth doula;

(c) Labor and delivery support; and

(d) The first visit with a birth doula when initiating care postpartum.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 41.05.021, 41.05.160, and 2025 c 424 s 211(35). WSR 25-16-016, s 182-533-0680, filed 7/25/25, effective 8/25/25.]