

# Carrow Street Guidelines for Planned Out of Hospital Births

We at Carrow Street Pediatrics strive to provide the best care for your child. To best uphold this goal, we believe that hospitals are the safest setting for birth. As such, we recommend such an environment for delivery and after care. **If a planned out of hospital birth (such as at a birthing center or an in-home birth) is desired, it must conform to New York State law and AAP guidelines, as well as those set forth by Carrow Street Pediatrics.** In keeping with our standard of care, it should be stressed that these requirements are *not* discretionary or to be taken as suggestions. Our practitioner will require all documentation proving adherence to the requirements set forth below when your child is seen for the first time. **If the requirements are not met, Carrow Street Pediatrics cannot and will not enroll the baby as a patient.**

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- + Prenatal visit to discuss the following guidelines
- + Mid-wives are certified by the American Midwifery Board.
- +Transitional care for the first 4-8 hours (see AAP guidelines)
- +Monitoring of group B Streptococcal status with subsequent treatment if warranted
- +Glucose monitoring
- +Screening for congenital heart disease with pulse oximetry
- +Vitamin K administration (NYS law required)
- +Eye prophylaxis (NYS law required)
- +Screening for hyperbilirubinemia with minimum screening at 24 and 48 hours
- +Newborn screening
- +Hearing screening (can be done later than first 48 hours)
- +Follow-up care with pediatrician within first 24 hours and subsequently within 48 hours

Please see AAP Policy Statement for complete details.

## **I have read the above and agree to abide by the AAP guidelines**

Signature of Parent \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Physician \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Midwife \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

American Midwifery Board Certification Number: \_\_\_\_\_