

Medical interaction rules for licensed direct-entry midwives

Interactions						
Interaction type	Mandatory consult	Consult	Collaborate	Refer	Transfer	Mandatory transfer
Definition of interaction type	LDEM discusses client status with provider by phone, written note, or in person.		LDEM and provider jointly manage a specific condition of a client according to a mutually agreed-upon plan of care.	LDEM directs client to provider for management of a specific condition.	LDEM relinquishes management of client to provider.	
Provider type	MD or DO	Appropriate licensed provider				See individual conditions.
Who manages what?	Provider may give a recommendation for management, but does not assume any management of the client.		LDEM continues midwifery management and may follow through with medical management as agreed upon with provider.	LDEM continues midwifery management. Provider assumes management of medical condition.	Provider assumes all management of client. LDEM may provide on-going support services as appropriate.	
Transfer type	Regular (timing and method at LDEM's discretion)					Regular or immediate* depending on the condition.
Waivability	Client may not waive. LDEM must consult.	Client may waive interaction in writing and, if so, LDEM may continue to care for client.				Client may not waive. LDEM must transfer client.

***"Immediate" transfer means: (a) calling 911 and reporting the need for immediate transfer; (b) immediately transporting the client by private vehicle to the receiving provider; or (c) contacting the physician to whom the client will be transferred and following that physician's orders.*