



Placenta Encapsulation Service Agreement

Thank you for choosing Woman's Choice Perinatal Services to be a part of your journey! We hope to make your experience as wonderful as possible. This agreement contains important information regarding this service.

Placenta encapsulation is a process where the placenta is inspected, cleaned, and sliced either raw or steamed. It is then dehydrated, ground up, and the ground powder is used to fill empty gelatin capsules. We also create tinctures which is the process of letting raw or dehydrated placenta sit in a bath of 100 proof alcohol to extract and preserve benefits.

Some FAQs

- How many capsules will I get?

On average you can expect between 100-200 capsules

- What are some benefits of consuming placenta capsules/tincture?

We cannot guarantee any particular benefit or outcome from consumption, but utilizing your placenta postpartum may help with things like milk production, hormone and mood stabilization, pain relief, energy boost, iron restoration, growth of hair and nails, etc.

Tinctures can also be beneficial for your teething baby of 6 months or older, your mother who is starting menopause, or if your baby is a girl....she may utilize the tincture when she begins her first menstrual cycle.

- What are some risks of consuming placenta capsules/tincture?

There are very little risks involved in consuming your placenta. The biggest risks would come from consuming a placenta that has not been stored or prepared properly. Be sure to follow instructions on how to store your placenta until your specialist picks it up.

- How do I store my capsules/tincture and what is the shelf life?

You may store your capsules as follows:

In the container provided, in a dark cool cabinet for up to one year. After one year you should transfer your capsules to a ziploc bag and place them in the freezer for up to 6 more months. If after this time you still have capsules left, you may create a tincture by emptying 2 capsules into 2oz of 100 proof alcohol.

You may store your tincture in a cool dark cabinet indefinitely.

- Can I consume my placenta if I have Group B Strep or Genital Herpes?

Yes! Please notify your specialist so that we can steam your placenta to kill any possible bacteria. Otherwise, it is considered safe to consume.

- What if my baby passed meconium in the womb?

That's perfectly fine. Meconium is sterile. It is simply washed off prior to preparation.

- How should I take my capsules/tincture?

Consumption recommendations are JUST a recommendation. NOT a prescription. You may adjust your intake as you feel you need to. We give a general suggestion on how to consume your capsules/tincture on the containers. We do recommend that you take your capsules with food to avoid an upset stomach.

RESPONSIBILITY

Lots of love and positive energy is put into every placenta that we work with!

We abide by very strict sanitary and food handling practices to ensure the safety of our specialists and clients.

As a client, you also play a very important role in helping us ensure your safety. Here's how:

- You will notify us within an hour of the birth of your baby. A WCPS specialist will arrive within 3 hours of that call to pick up your placenta. Please ensure that your placenta is stored in the fridge or on ice until we arrive.
- If you are not encapsulating within 3 days of the birth, your placenta will need to be frozen. Please use two, one gallon sized ziplock bags to freeze your placenta.

- If your dr or nurse recommends sending your placenta to pathology for testing, request that they take a sample of the placenta in your room instead of taking the entire placenta. Once a placenta is taken to pathology, there is a risk of contamination by chemicals, improper storage, or even a mix up of placentas. If your placenta is taken to pathology, you understand that we cannot guarantee your safety. If you wish to continue with encapsulation at that point, you will be fully responsible for any negative outcome.
- You must inform us of any known blood-borne illness or lack thereof (such as HIV, Hepatitis, etc) by showing your specialist a copy of your most recent blood work upon pickup.

As a Placenta Encapsulation Specialist, I am only providing recommendations. I am not a medical provider, and therefore none of this information or service is to be used as a treatment or in place of proper medical care.

We perform this service in our own homes as we are a small business. By allowing us to provide you with service, you are entrusting that we are working under the highest standards of safety.

Once accepting your capsules/tincture, you assume all responsibility for any outcomes in response to consumption. You understand that since your placenta is specific to your own body, your specialist cannot determine how your body will react to consumption. If you are experiencing any negative reactions, please discontinue your capsules and contact your specialist.

Your specialist will also follow up with you via phone within 1 week to see how you are responding to your capsules.

Under normal circumstances, your capsules are generally given to you within 36 hours of picking up the placenta. However, since we are a small business we ask that you allow up to 72 hours in case we have our own emergency etc.

REFUND INFO

We do not provide refunds simply because of change of mind, or other situations where continuing or discontinuing the service is your choice. We do understand that unexpected situations arise, and we are willing to assess the situation on a case by case basis. Some reasons we may refund you is if your placenta is no longer eligible for consumption due to unforeseen circumstances such as:

- Placental infection during labor
- Confirmed chemical contamination by pathology
- Loss of pregnancy

In these cases you may be refunded your payment amount, minus \$100. The reason why we would still retain \$100 is to compensate for our consultation/booking, the reservation of your due date, and compensating a backup specialist to be on call in the event that I (the primary specialist) is not available when you give birth.

PHOTOS

Photos are a huge part of how we share our service offerings via social media. We may take photos of your placenta during and after the encapsulation process for posting. Your personal information is never included with these photos.

SERVICE FEES, PAYMENTS, AND WHAT'S INCLUDED

We charge \$350.00 for our service within 45 minutes of Waterbury, CT. Services needed beyond 45 minutes and up to 1 hour 15 minutes of Waterbury, CT will incur an additional \$20 travel fee.

Service includes:

- Pickup of placenta
- Placenta capsules
- Placenta tincture
- Umbilical cord keepsake
- Delivery of finished products

You must book your service by your 34th week of pregnancy. Services booked between 34 and 38 weeks will incur a \$25 late booking fee. Services booked after 38 weeks will incur a \$50 late booking fee.

We try our best to provide service to ANY family! We may be able to work with you on a payment arrangement or special plan such as a discount for transporting the placenta to us yourself, pay in full discounts, weekly or bi-weekly payment plans depending on how early you book. Please email or call us to inquire about a payment agreement based on your needs. Arrangements are not guaranteed, and are on a case by case basis. If we decide on a payment arrangement of any type, you will be sent an additional contract to sign that specifies your individual arrangement.

Please download or screenshot this agreement, fill in the required information, and email it to us at Womanschoiceps@gmail.com to book.

Providing your information acts as your acknowledgement and agreement to everything mentioned above.

Name:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

Estimated due date:

Birth location (city and hospital, birth center or home);

Cost of service based on your location:
