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Title 22@ Social Security

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Section 51356@ Licensed Midwife Services

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(a)

The following services shall be covered as licensed midwife services under the Medi-Cal Program when provided by a licensed midwife as specified in Section 51255: (1) Attendance at cases of normal childbirth and (2) The provision of prenatal, intrapartum, and postpartum care, including family planning care, for the mother, and immediate care for the newborn.

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(b)

All complications that arise during childbirth that may prevent a vaginal delivery or place the unborn child or mother at risk shall be immediately referred to a licensed physician and surgeon.

(c)

In the event of home birth attended by a licensed midwife, the midwife shall provide information and instructional materials on shaken baby syndrome to the parents or guardians of the newborn, pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 24522.

(d)

A licensed midwife shall provide newborn screening information to parents or guardians in accordance with the requirements of California Code of Regulations Title 17 Section 6504.