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## Informed Consent and Risk Information Practice Standards

- (1) Informed consent means the consent obtained following a thorough and easily understood explanation of the information to the mother or mother's guardian.
- (2) The explanation must be both verbal and written.
- (3) An LDM must document the verbal explanation and the written informed consent process in the client's record. Informed consent information must include the following:
  - (a) Definition of procedure or process;
  - (b) Benefits of procedure or process;
  - (c) Risk(s) of procedure or process;
  - (d) Description of adverse outcomes;
  - (e) Risk of adverse outcomes; and
  - (f) Alternative procedures or processes and any risk(s) associated with them.
- (4) An LDM must obtain mother's dated signature acknowledging she has received, reviewed, and understands the information, and has made an informed choice.
- (5) Beginning on ~~January 1, 2012~~ **June 1, 2012**, each LDM must provide risk information as published on the agency's website [www.Oregon.gov/OHLA](http://www.Oregon.gov/OHLA), and obtain informed consent for the following circumstances:
  - (a) Out-of-hospital birth;
  - (b) Vaginal birth after cesarean (VBAC);
  - (c) Breech;
  - (d) Multiple gestations; and
  - (e) Pregnancy exceeding 42 weeks gestation.

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