# Home Birth Supplies

#### **RED BAG: Pomegranate Kit**

- □ Plastic+paper mattress liner
- □ Underpads, lrg (pink)
- □ Underpads, med (blue)
- □ Garbage bag, black
- □ Laundry bag, white
- □ Ziploc bags for placenta
- Peribottle
- □ Mesh underwear
- □ Maxi pads x2
- □ Straws x2
- □ Labor medications: Gravol & Tylenol
- Postpartum medications enough for 24hrs: Ibuprofen & Tylenol
- □ Instructions for making frozen pads
- □ Labor Ade recipe [optional]
- Various midwife supplies (gauze, syringe, etc)

# PROTECTING YOUR MATTRESS: 1. Put a fitted sheet on your bed 2. Cover this sheet with the paper+plastic mattress liners 3. Put another fitted sheet overtop of everything 4. After your water breaks, use towels and/or underpads as extra insurance against leaks

# Supplies client should provide:

# Labor Supplies

- □ Stainless steel or glass bowl (medium)
- $\hfill\square$  Digital oral thermometer
- $\hfill\square$  Box of baby wipes
- □ Cookie sheet

#### Linens:

- □ 6 receiving blankets
- 1 fitted sheet ok to get stained
- 1 fitted sheet to replace the above after the birth
- □ 4-6 large towels
- $\Box$  2 hand towels
- □ 3 face cloths
- If using a birth pool:
- Plastic and towels to surround pool
- Mat for floor close to the pool e.g. yoga mat
- □ Lots of extra towels
- □ Fish aquarium net (large size)

### OPTIONAL:

- □ Hot water bottle/heating pad
- Cold pack/frozen peas
- □ TENS machine
- □ Lip balm
- □ Hand mirror

# **Postpartum Supplies**

- Overnight large maxi pads (12)
- □ Regular maxis (1box)
- □ Ibuprofen
- □ Nipple cream/organic coconut oil
- MAKE: 6 Frozen pads

MAKE: FOOD for immediate postpartum

#### OPTIONAL:

- □ Homeopathic Arnica 30C pellets
- □ Lavender &/or tea tree essential oil
- □ Epsom salts (1-2kg)
- Sitz basin
- Perineal/sitz bath herbs
- Postpartum recovery tea (calms afterpains, promotes healing)
- □ Lactation Tincture
- Witch hazel & cotton balls (soothes & shrinks hemorrhoids)

To make everything easy for the midwives to find, put your RED BAG, plus the rest of your supplies, in a large box or laundry basket – including the receiving blankets and towels.