

# Common **MYTHS** about midwifery and safety that you can debunk with your community



**MYTH** Midwifery clients must give birth at home.

**FACT** Midwifery clients are offered choice of birthplace.

**MYTH** Midwives and doulas are the same.

**FACT** Midwives are primary medical care providers (such as nurse practitioners and doctors). Doulas provide non-clinical support and care.

**MYTH** Homebirth is not safe.

**FACT** At home with a midwife is one of the safest places to have your baby. Find research, resources and client stories to share with your community at [ontariomidwives.ca](http://ontariomidwives.ca)

**MYTH** All clients pay for midwifery care out of pocket.

**FACT** Midwifery care is completely funded by the government for anyone who lives in Ontario, regardless of immigration status.

Natasha Singleton-Bassargh  
Registered Midwife | Ontario