



## End-of-Life Doula Certification Requirements

1. Complete the Lifespan Doulas End-of-Life Doula Training Workshop (21 hours) (valid for up to four years from the date of workshop).
  2. Purchase a Lifespan Doulas certification packet (includes all instructions and required forms; good for two years from date of purchase) (\$25).
  3. Complete the following requirements:
    - a. Complete the required reading.
    - b. Take the online test OR earn the National End-of-life Doula Alliance (NEDA) Proficiency Badge (see NEDA website for current fees).
    - c. Develop an Intake Assessment Form for your practice and submit a copy.
    - d. Develop a list of end-of-life resources for your community. Your list should include a minimum of 30 entries across at least 15 categories.
    - e. Complete the Advance Care Planning process for yourself and submit a copy.
    - f. Provide services to three families as an end-of-life doula after completion of the doula training workshop. A minimum of five hours must be spent with each family and at least 10 hours must be spent with one family. Submit the following documentation for each family served:
      - A brief summary (300–500 words) for each family served, including:
        - The dying person’s needs
        - The family/primary caregiver’s needs
        - A description of services provided
        - What you learned from the experience
      - A completed Family Statistics Form
      - A completed Evaluation of the End-of-Life Doula from the Client/Family
- OR
- In place of serving three families, doulas may provide services to two families and complete one of the following:
- Become a hospice volunteer for at least six months, during which time you spend at least 10 hours with at least two families
  - Shadow another end-of-life doula for a minimum of 10 hours.
  - Prepare a one-hour-long community presentation on end-of-life doulas or a related end-of-life topic and present it at two separate venues; presentation format must include time for Q&A.
  - Take an approved college course about end-of-life issues (submit class description to [mrush@lifespandoulas.com](mailto:mrush@lifespandoulas.com) for pre-approval).
4. Two Professional References (forms included in this packet).
  5. Sign the *Agreement to Abide by the Lifespan Doulas Scope of Practice* and submit a copy.
  6. Maintain active membership in Lifespan Doulas (\$50 annual fee).
  7. Pay application processing fee of \$150.



## End-of-Life Doula Re-Certification Requirements

*The certification period for Lifespan End-of-Life Doulas is three years, after which re-certification is required. A reminder will be sent three months before your certification expires.*

- Maintain continuous active membership in Lifespan Doulas by paying the annual membership fee of \$50 (renewable annually from date of purchase; we will remind you).
- Provide services to a minimum of three individuals/families during the three-year certification period.
- Continue to abide by the *Lifespan Doulas Scope of Practice for End-of-Life Doulas*.
- Complete 15 hours of approved continuing education related to relevant end-of-life topics or skills (see continuing education requirements).
- Pay the re-certification application fee (\$100).
- While it is not mandatory, for the advancement of the profession we highly encourage you to maintain statistics on families served, using the statistics form included.

### Benefits of maintaining your CEOLD certification and membership:

- Featured (enhanced) listing in our End-of Life Doula Directory
- Referrals from general inquiries to Lifespan Doulas
- 10% discount on continuing education trainings and products offered through Lifespan Doulas
- Ongoing mentoring support within the community of Lifespan Doulas
- Monthly interactive instructional webinar for members only
- Member of private Facebook group with members of Lifespan Doulas
- Monthly e-newsletter

### Summary of Certification Fees:

Lifespan Doulas Annual Membership	\$50
Certification Packet	25
Lifespan EOLD Certification	<u>150</u>
TOTAL	\$225
Recertification fee every three years (plus annual membership fee of \$50)	\$100