

EOLD Scope of Practice Exercise

Group 1

Limitations for EOL Doulas

- Summarize limitations for EOLDs (EOLDs do not ...)
- Brainstorm strategies for setting and communicating boundaries with clients. How will you communicate this information? What tools might you use?

Group 2

Self-Determination and Empowerment

- What is the difference between advice and information?
- What can we say instead of “I think you should ...”?
- What if client asks, “What would you do if you were me?”
- What if someone is making a choice we really don’t agree with (e.g., family member requesting a feeding tube be placed when the patient is actively dying)?

Group 3

Confidentiality

- What information, in addition to a client’s name, might identify them?
- What precautions should doulas take online (e.g., social media)?
- What about use of photos, testimonials or the client’s story?
- How can doulas safely handle information sharing if there is a team of doulas working with one family?
- What if the doula really needs help processing a challenging scenario?