WAC 246-835-022 Ancestral pathway competencies. This section applies to applicants that did not attend a traditional birth doula training program or course. To qualify for certification as a birth doula by completing the ancestral pathway competencies, the applicant shall complete birth doula ancestral training that is substantially equivalent to the required training in WAC 246-835-020. Documentation of completion must include:

(1) An attestation on forms provided by the department that they have completed training that is substantially equivalent to the required training in WAC 246-835-020; or

(2) Three written client testimonial letters or letters of recommendation from profession-related leaders or peers using testimonial templates provided by the department. Letters must be written within the last five years. One letter must be from either a licensed provider, a community-based organization, or a practicing doula or midwife.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 18.47 RCW and 2022 c 217. WSR 23-18-048, § 246-835-022, filed 8/30/23, effective 10/1/23.]