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Purpose

▶ To create a helpful guide for new doulas.

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Headings/Topics

- Networking with health professionals and other doulas
- Training organisation who's providing support after course completion?
- ► Touching base with birth facilities hospitals, birth centres
- Independent midwives
- Advertising and promotion
- Social media
- Website/blog content
- Mentors



- Networking with health professionals and other doulas
 - ▶ Just do it!
 - ▶ Join us
 - ▶ Don't be shy
 - ▶ Be genuine, build relationships
 - ▶ Be open to learning and sharing
 - ▶ Win-win mindset, collaborative



- ▶ Training organisation
 - who's providing support after course completion? Birth Right, ADC,
 - ► Fees?
 - ► How long they stay on the books?
 - ▶ What kind of support debriefing? Referrals?
 - ▶ Bron ADC; Kathryn Susan Ross; Kate Dial-a-doula



- Touching base with birth facilities hospitals, birth centres
 - ► Maternity unit manager call and arrange in-service presentation
 - ▶ 5 minute talk in the hospital classes
 - ► Flyers in antenatal clinics, GPs
 - ▶ Template presentation for members
- Independent midwives call them and introduce yourself



- Advertising and promotion
 - ▶ Online directories (ours!)
 - Guest blog post and vice versa
 - ▶ Local baby expos pool together with other doulas, a cheaper option is to have your flyer in the expo bag instead of a table
 - Second hand/local markets
 - Write to local newspaper media release, google templates



- Social media
 - ► Facebook page!!!!
 - ▶ Put your name in the description
 - ▶ Personal profile link to business page
 - ► Instagram!!!! (business account analytics)
- Website/blog content
 - Opt-in for your newsletter (mailchimp free!)
 - ► SEO –Search Engine Optimization
 - ▶ Template sites: wix, weebly, webs, wordpress, squarespace



- Mentors
 - ▶ Linking in with a more experienced doula
 - ▶ Shadowing
 - ▶ Business or birth focused
 - ▶ Paid arrangements
 - ▶ WeBirth Jacki Barker & Jen Hazi
 - ► Formal mentoring program with guidelines and evaluation process



Chat notes

▶ Google AdWords



Write up plan









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