

VBAC Tolerant vs Friendly

A VBAC Tolerant Provider:

states you must go into labor before (or by) 40 weeks.

places arbitrary limits on "acceptable birth weight" of your baby.

wants labor to progress at a constant rate (x cm/hr).

uses VBAC Calculator to predict chance of VBAC.

requires routine interventions (such as epidural, internal monitor, etc) "just in case."

shares call schedule with unsupportive providers and/or cannot guarantee they will attend your birth.

by 37 weeks wants to put a C-section on the calendar, "just in case."

A VBAC Friendly Provider:

does not put an arbitrary limit on the length of pregnancy.

does not restrict vaginal delivery based on ultrasound estimate of weight.

allows labor to progress organically if mom and baby are doing well.

looks at your previous and current pregnancies to predict chance of VBAC.

carefully considers the need for interventions based on progression of labor.

can guarantee they, or an equally supportive provider, will attend your delivery.

waits until 39-40 weeks to schedule a C-section, if needed.