



Making an Impact in The Lactation Community 2022 Virtual Conference

The Mississippi Public Health Institute and the Mississippi Breastfeeding Coalition (MSBFC) are honored to host Making an Impact in The Lactation Community (MILC) 2022 Virtual Conference. This year's conference will be a two-day event October 5-6, 2022. In 2021, Making an Impact in The Lactation Community Virtual Conference was a success with over 130 attendees made up of Lactation Professionals from throughout Mississippi and surrounding areas. Attendees earned up to 8 L-CERPs. This year's purpose is to continue to provide Lactation Continuing Education to lactation professionals to improve breastfeeding in our state. The conference will include presentations from breastfeeding experts: Dr. Thomas Hale, Laurel Wilson, Melissa Cole, Jeannet Mesite Frem, Dr. Rebecca Saenz, and more. The conference will cover topics including: tongue and lip tie, breastfeeding and drugs of abuse, fitting flanges for pumping, mental health and breastfeeding, communication for the lactation professional, and much more. Registration is free and opens September 6, 2022 on the MSBFC website and social media. The conference organizer has applied for CERPs for lactation professionals.

Local Celebration of National Breastfeeding Awareness Month Returns to In-Person.

WIC's Breastfeeding Program held its annual community-wide baby shower August 12, 2022 sponsored by Baptist Memorial Hospital and Mississippi Breastfeeding Coalition (MSBFC). After two years of curb-side events, participants returned to an in-person celebration at the Jackson Medical Mall. Representatives from the Mississippi Breastfeeding Coalition, the Mother's Milk Bank of Mississippi, the Diaper Bank, the Mississippi SIDS & Infant Safety Alliance, and the MSDH Office of Oral Health all made brief educational presentations. Much appreciation to Baptist for being the major sponsor and being present to assist with registration. Participants received goody bags, lunch, and door prizes.

Free Education

September 13

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. NACCHO Webinar: Building Community Workforce Capacity to Equitably Support Chest/Breastfeeding. Register at

https://naccho.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_QV6Z8hRjQZ2IUHRC7PXNs

and

2:30 p.m. – 3:30 IEBFC Monthly Check-In: Register at

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2022-monthly-check-in-meeting-tickets-238422115967?utm_source=IEBFC+Newsletter+and+Updates&utm_campaign=9a8534f062-

September 14

1:00 – 2:00 p.m. Medela Webinar: Human Connection Within Perinatal Palliative Care. Register at <https://www.medela.us/mbus/for-professionals/Education/Programs/Detail/824>

September 20

Available On Demand. Great Lakes Breastfeeding Webinar: Barriers to IBCLC Credentialing for the BIPOC Community. Register at <https://mibreastfeeding.org/webinars/>

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COME TO YOU
WITHOUT LEAVING
BETTER AND
HAPPIER."
— MOTHER TERESA

Breastfeeding Support

WIC's Breastfeeding Program 601-981-2304
Mississippi Lactation Services, Dr. Christina Glick, M.D.
601-932-6455
The Infant Risk Center 806 352-2519 Dr. Thomas Hale's
helpline for medications information
Merit Health Woman's Hospital Lactation Center 601-933-
6180 or 601-933-6493

Breastfeeding Classes

- Peer counselors are available to provide individual breastfeeding classes at all WIC clinics in person and via Zoom.