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Newsletter October 2023 Lactation Education Resources

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Free Live Session: The Realities of Being and Becoming an IBCLC

If you are considering becoming an IBCLC but wish you knew more about what it's really like or how to get there, this talk is for you. Sekeita Lewis-Johnson, DNP, FNP-BC, IBCLC and Angela Love-Zaranka, BA, IBCLC, RLC answer your questions live on **Wednesday, October 11th 12pm PST/3pm EST**. Free registration is required.

[Register for the Live Event](#)

 **Announcing the Juntos Triunfamos Lactation Equity Scholarship** 

LER is thrilled to introduce **Juntos Triunfamos**, a scholarship for aspiring Hispanic/Latinx IBCLCs. Juntos Triunfamos will remove barriers to certification by providing one recipient with a full scholarship to complete ALL their training and take the IBCLC exam. We're accepting nominations from current lactation care professionals now through October 31 at 11:59 pm (US eastern).

Nominees must:

- Be aspiring Hispanic/Latinx IBCLCs experiencing barriers to the field
- Be Spanish/English Bilingual
- Have at least 40-60 hours providing lactation support in some capacity
- Have a clear plan to impact their community with the credential
- Have the capacity to participate in the multi-year process of completing the IBCLC certification
- Live in the United States

To learn more or nominate a candidate, [click below.](#)

[Learn More or Nominate a Candidate](#)

15% Off Online Breast Care Conference

This month, learn to care for your clients in a whole new way! In this two-part online conference, you'll explore the benefits of gentle breast massage with renown expert Maya Bolman and leave prepared to provide and teach it to clients. Then you'll go deep with the subject of lactation after breast surgery, with Katrina Mitchell, an IBCLC who is also a breast surgeon. Use the coupon code Oct2023COTM now through October 31 to save 15% on the entire conference.

[Shop the Sale](#)

It's Your Year: Become an IBCLC in 2024

Planning to take the IBCLC exam in 2024? Now is the time to get the lactation-specific education you need to apply. Our Lactation Consultant Training Program (LCTP) provides all 95+ hours you need. Enroll now to complete it in time to take a 2024 exam. Make this the year you become an IBCLC!

[Learn More About Our Lactation Training Course](#)

[See Exam Application Dates](#)

Get Our Updated Free e-Book

Explore all three pathways to becoming an IBCLC and discover the one that's right for you with our popular e-book, "Finding Your Pathway to the IBCLC." Our newly released latest edition is a free download.

[Get My e-Book](#)

IBCLC Commission Has New Retesting Rules

IBCLC exam takers who don't pass have new guidelines for future attempts, effective with the September 2024 exam. In a nutshell, unsuccessful candidates:

- ✳ Can retest one additional time, after a year has passed
- ✳ After a second failed attempt, must complete 35 hours of additional education and 250 hours of supervised clinical hours before testing again
- ✳ After a third failed attempt, must wait 3 years to try again

The IBCLC Commission urges those who plan to retest to review their exam score report and develop an educational plan to address their gaps. We have a tool to help! Our courses are searchable by exam Detailed Content Outline area, so you can choose exactly the courses you need based on your exam score report. Just click below and use the "Primary Topics Covered" filter on our Continuing Education page.

[Search Courses](#)

[Read the IBCLC Commission Announcement](#)

New Baby Friendly Training Available

BFUSA has released its 6th edition guidelines. You can ensure compliance by enrolling your Direct Care Personnel in our new Competency-Based training course at FirstLatch. Our course is evidence-based, fully on-line, and easy to administer. It is taught by experienced clinicians, including those who have successfully passed initial designation and redesignation. The course is available now for enrollments. To preview the course, learn more, or request a Quick Quote, click on one of the links below.

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Free Parent Handout: Increasing Supply

Low milk supply can be a scary and frustrating challenge for parents. Leave your clients with this free, illustrated handout to reinforce your teaching on how to increase their supply.

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