



Community Lactation Specialist Pathway

Expansion of the Open Arms Pathway I program to support more lactation skills development within our King County birthworkers of color, create more access to IBLCE eligibility and testing, and support community lactation access. All applications open 9/30/22

- IBCLC applications close 10/15/2022 and candidates will be selected by 11/1/22
- Community Lactation Specialist cohort applications close 10/24/22 and candidates will be selected by 11/15/22

Application:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=b6t2gJOvEuPTHltli4bmZF5BuBLLEJHnq2fVoL5kCZUOTRCOEo0U1FCMVZJSTI3TUEwTFZHMVIUMC4u>

Informational Session about Cohorts and Application: When: Oct 4, 2022 02:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Register in advance for this meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYtcO-prjMvH9ZrEAQgrEjdNhUMMnkSZT61>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Candidates may be contacted for an interview or more information before selections are made.

1. Community Lactation Specialist I cohort (up to 10 candidates will be selected)

- Open to all focus community members interested in supporting lactation
- IBLCE Pathway I clinical hours available through shadowing
- 40 hours lactation education provided
- Case review
- \$300 educational supplies
- 6 months, 6-8 hours per month time commitment

2. Advanced Community Lactation Specialist cohort (up to 7 candidates will be selected)



- Open to focus community lactation care providers with 45 hours of lactation education within the last 5 years
- IBLCE Pathway I clinical hours for all lactation support visits
- 55 Lactation education hours provided
- Case review
- \$300 educational supplies + \$350 in funds for teaching aids, health science classes etc
- 1 year and 1000 clinical hour commitment

3. March 2023 IBCLC Exam Candidate Community (up to 5 candidates will be selected)

- Financial support for test fees and exam study materials
- Weekly study group starting in November (may be in-person, Zoom, or hybrid, will be determined by the group chosen)
- Case review