

TXBC Newsletter

The History of the IBCLC - my oh my, how we've grown!

IBLCE, our credentialing agency was founded in March 1985 using a \$40,000 loan from La Leche League International.

1985 - IBLCE Founding Meeting in April – created a starting point for the credentialing exam.

1985 - Developed the proctor manual. First exam given late 1985.

1987 - First Exam Administered in 3 Languages – English, German, Spanish

1990 - First 4 Continent Exam Administered

2009 - First Exam Administration with over 4,000 Candidates

2011 - Pilot of Computer Based Testing (CBT)

2016 - First Year Offering Two Examination Administrations

2022 - Exam administered in 17 languages in 435 test center locations across 69 countries as well as via Live Remote Proctoring (LRP)

2024 - There are now 37,000 IBCLCs in 134 Countries & Territories

The first Wednesday of March is now our day of recognition. **Happy IBCLC Day to our Texas Breastfeeding Coalition members.** Keep up the great job!



Upcoming Events

TXBC Spring Meeting – April 13, 2024, Driscoll Children’s Hospital in Corpus Christi, Texas

[TXBC Spring 2024 Meeting Registration Link](#)

TXBC May Zoom Meeting – May 14, 2024, info & link will be emailed.

Dates to Remember

IBCLC Day – March 6, 2024

Spring 2024 Exam - April 15-20, 2024

World Breastfeeding Week - August 1-7, 2024

National Breastfeeding Month – August 1 – September 14, 2024

Fall 2024 Exam - September 10-16, 2024

Educational Opportunities

International Lactation Consultant Association - <https://learning.ilca.org/>

US Lactation Consultant Association - <https://uslca.org/education-resources/>

Gold Lactation - <https://www.goldlearning.com/>

iLactation - <https://ilactation.com/>

Lactation Education Resources - <https://www.lactationtraining.com/>

Organizational Information

Member meetings will be held via Zoom or phone on a bimonthly basis, the second Tuesday of the month, on the odd months. * Date & time may change to better suite current needs. *

The newsletter will be on a bimonthly basis, in the even months.

The website is TXbreastfeedingcoalition.org.

Membership is \$20 for individuals, \$100 for small businesses/nonprofits (less than 4 employees) & \$250 for businesses.

Two ways to pay:

Venmo account – txbc1

Or, if paying by check, please mail the check to the following address...

TXBC, 401 Elmcrest Court, Forney, Texas 75126

Coupon Code for discount on books at Praeclarus Press: TXBC.

Announcements

Join us for the next in person meeting, happening on April 13, at Driscoll Children's Hospital in Corpus Christi, Texas. [TXBC Spring 2024 Meeting Registration Link](#)

The next Helen Sullivan/TALWD Scholarship will open for applications in May of 2024. Applicants must be eligible to sit for the exam in 2024.

The Emerging Leader/Patty Stone Scholarship will open for applications in July of 2024. The scholarship will cover the registration cost for the Dallas Summer Seminar in 2024.



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