Virtual 20-Hour Breastfeeding Counselor Course

From the Creators of the *Partners for a Healthy Baby* Curriculum Training

**Course Dates & Times**
November 2nd, 9th, and 16th, 2020 12:00pm-7:00pm EST

**Registration**
Course fee: $425 per person
Register online at [www.cpeip.fsu.edu](http://www.cpeip.fsu.edu)

In honor of Black Breastfeeding Week 2020, a limited number of scholarships will be offered to African American/minority applicants to build capacity and bridge gaps in lactation care. For more information contact Sarah Mullane ([smullane@fsu.edu](mailto:smullane@fsu.edu)).

**Course Description**
The 20-hour course will be covered in three live virtual sessions. It is designed for those who wish to gain knowledge in the basics of breastfeeding and lactation management. This course is intended for nurses, home visitors, doulas, and community-based health educators.

This course is based on the Baby Friendly Hospital Initiative, with content geared toward community-based providers. The course meets the standards of USBC Core Competencies in Breastfeeding Care and Services, WHO/UNICEF, and Florida Healthy Start training requirements. Increasing breastfeeding duration is also a goal of the Florida MIECHV program (Benchmark 1: Maternal and Child Health).

**Course Requirements**
- Participation in all LIVE sessions
- Computer access with audio, video, internet access, and familiarization with Zoom
- A doll, stuffed animal, or infant model 20-25 inches in length.
- Participants must read *The American Academy of Pediatrics New Mother's Guide to Breastfeeding* (Rev. Edition) prior to the start of the first session. This book, along with other training materials, will be mailed to participants 2 weeks prior to the training.
- Participants will be required to pass an online posttest after completing the training.

**Course Instructor**
Mirine Richey, MPH, IBCLC is an International Board Certified Lactation Consultant and received her Master's in Public Health from Florida International University. Ms. Richey's 20-year career includes work in hospitals and public health programs including WIC. Her training experience includes her current position with Florida State University, as well previous work with the Florida Maternal Infant Early Childhood Home Visiting Program, Florida Healthy Start, and Healthy Families Florida.

**Continuing Education**
Suwannee River Area Health Education Center, Inc. is a Florida Board of Nursing approved provider of continuing education. CE Broker Provider ID #50-1922. This program meets the requirements for up to 19.5 contact hours.

Application for Lactation Continuing Education Recognition Points (LCERPS) has been submitted to the International Board of Lactation Consultant Examiners.

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