



Dear IBCLC:

The International Board of Lactation Consultant Examiners® (IBLCE®) knows this is a challenging time. Many, including IBLCE stakeholders, are concerned about their families and friends while also engaged in professional practice in a dramatically changed environment.

In order to assist you in your role as an IBCLC during this time, IBLCE is working to make a number of useful tools available to you. First, today IBLCE is issuing an [Advisory Opinion](#) regarding telehealth in relation to the IBCLC's guiding practice documents. This information is being made available today in English to all and will be immediately translated in all examination languages and posted to the language-specific sections of the IBLCE website as soon as possible.

Early next week, as a service to IBCLCs as well as those seeking lactation specific education during this challenging time, IBLCE will be providing a listing of online lactation educational offerings from its Long-Term and Short-Term Providers, with continuous updates as they are available. A special page on the IBLCE website together with links will be posted as a service to IBCLCs and other stakeholders at this time. This centralised information source is designed to assist you in locating online lactation-specific education that can be accessed from your home.

Third, IBLCE will be disseminating within the next two weeks detailed information regarding how technology can be leveraged so as to meet IBCLC eligibility requirements, particularly with respect to clinical supervision and mentorship. IBLCE appreciates that this is a concern for a number of professionals currently pursuing the IBCLC certification via the [three eligibility pathways](#). This information will also be made available in all examination languages on IBLCE's website.

Lastly, IBLCE is convening an April webinar to bring together IBCLCs and candidates to provide useful information and answers to your questions during this unique time. IBLCE will be disseminating further information, including how to register, on this webinar in the near future. Information provided at the webinar as well

as questions and answers will be translated into all IBCLC examination languages and made available to IBLCE stakeholders on the website.

IBLCE hopes these tools and opportunities are useful to you as you engage in your important work on behalf of public health during this pivotal time.

The Board and Staff of IBLCE

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