



THE NEVADA BREASTFEEDING COALITION

June 17th, 2026 Meeting Agenda

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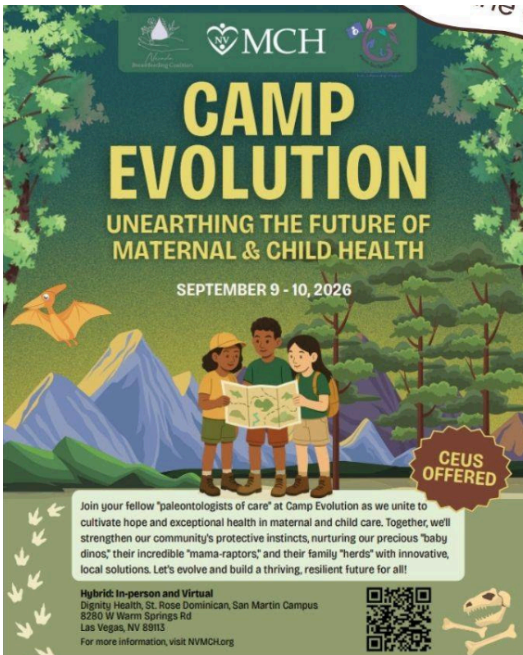
Board of Executives: Education Planner: Jacquelyn Bonde; Website Coordinator: Jenni Coble; Community Outreach Coordinator: Dezmen Hewitt; Marketing & Social Media Coordinator: Anita Momodu; Board Member Emeritus: Colette Moore, Northern NV Rep: Jenn Campbell; Rural Rep: Carolyn Thompson; Events Coordinator: (Open); Swag Coordinator: (Open)

In Attendance: Lorena Zamora (WIC), Jackie Chaidez (CLE NNPH WIC), CLE NNPH WIC, Brittni Lents IBCLC (Latch Las Vegas), Rikki Jenkins (Sacred Journey), Damaris (NICP), Lauren Reiner, Ivy Strebendt RN (SilverSummit Healthplan), Emperatriz Guerrero (PC WIC), Cherish Wittenberg RN, IBCLC (Renown Northern NV), Rosemarie Arroyo, IBCLC, Jill Shwartz (Peds NP, IBCLC and UNLV faculty), Kate Ault (Northern NV Hopes), Susie Crutchfield (SNHD-Nurse Family Partnership), Jenn Cambell (Doula CO-OP, NVBC board member), Jackie Bonde (State NV WIC, NVBC board member), Jayde Fox RN (SNHD-Health Start), Jenni (NVBC board member), Elsa Sanchez, Jolina Walker, Chante Derella, Theresa (Renown Hospital Reno), Iris Kwan (Occupational Therapy Lactation), Summer Flowers, Patricia Del la Torro, Yoselyn Segundo, Camila Santiago, IBCLC, Suzette Cruz RN, IBCLC (Private Practice), April Ricafort-Vargas (Doula, CBS), Evelyn RN, IBCLC (Southern Hills Hospital), Cristina Hernandez (UNLV, NVBC board member)

Objectives	By	Notes / Objectives and Desired Outcomes	Further Action X
Call meeting to order	Maria	Introductions & approval of last meeting minutes	
Treasurer's Report	Cristina	1. \$9,213.47	
Membership	Maria	We are excited for our membership raffle! Thank you for joining us every month to stay connected with the coalition, educational presenters, and other members. We have been keeping track of our members that attend and would like to raffle off NVBC swag! How to enter: 1. Must attend at least 5 general meetings from April - October 2026 2. Must stay through more than half the meeting (thru educational presenters)	

		Raffle will be held end of October. Keep a look out for the flyer again.	
Coalition updates	Maria	As part of the CareSource grant, we will be offering an IBCLC Recertification scholarship award and awards for CEUs. Details to come in the next month.	
State Updates	Jackie Bonde	NV WIC updates- New Nutrition Education Platform launching in August 2026	
Community Updates	Maria	Breastfeeding Month Celebrations: • World Breastfeeding Week fair ○ August 7th at the West LV Library 1pm-4pm • Indigenous Milk Medicine Week event ○ August 16th at the Solidarity Fridge, time TBD • Latinx Breastfeeding Week ○ September 4th at the Mexican Consulate	



		2026 Symposium - Joint Symposium with the Maternal Child Health Coalition • September 9th and 10th (2-day event) • Topic 1: The Importance of Bodywork in the Nursing Infant • Topic 2: Reclamation Lactation: Returning Lactation to the Communities it Was Stolen From • Topic 3: Connection Over Perfection: Dropping Biases and Meeting Parents Where They're At 	
Speaker	Jackie Bonde	Iris Kwan, OTD, OTRIL, IBCLC and Founder of Iris Quach Lactation and Occupational Therapy, PLLC Iris Kwan is an occupational therapist and lactation consultant dedicated to supporting families and the mother-baby relationship. With experience in pediatric, home health,	

		and hospital settings, she now combines occupational therapy and lactation support in her growing private practice while advocating for equitable healthcare in her community. Shared resources in chat: For the MCOs? You can look at their VAB page. If you mean the actual Medicaid announcement, here it is: https://www.medicaid.nv.gov/Downloads/provider/web_announcement_3521_20250103.pdf Health Plan of Nevada offers counseling with CLCs. à Breastfeeding instruction with a Certified Lactation Consultant (CLC); call 1-702-877-536. Gallant integrates 4-6; step 2-3 mos (Jill Schwartz) CareSource has classes, but I am unsure what they entail and when they are available to patients. SilverSummit has OB case managers who will provide breastfeeding support/referrals. They also have a platform for high-risk members where they can access a virtual lactation consultant. - Roseville.strebendt@silversummithealthplan.com NRS: CHAPTER 422 - MEDICAID AND OTHER HEALTH CARE PROGRAMS Required services for Nevada Medicaid. @Ivy Strebendt Ivy, can you share your contact info with me? jbonde@health.nv.gov	
Members		Does anyone have an update or something to share? Reminder- Next call July 15th	

Our mission is to inspire, educate and build community support to make breastfeeding the norm for infant feeding in Nevada. For more information, contact us at info@nvbreastfeeding.org

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