



## THE NEVADA BREASTFEEDING COALITION

### January 21, 2026 Meeting Agenda

**Board of Directors:** President: Rebecca Jimenez; Vice President: Maria Palapa; Treasurer: Cristina Hernandez ; Secretary: Rojina Shrestha; Members at Large: Dawn Lipkin and Rachael Sudek

**Board of Executives:** Education Planner: Jacquelyn Bonde; Events Coordinator: (Open); Swag Coordinator: (Open); 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.

#### In Attendance:

Objectives	By	Notes / Objectives and Desired Outcomes	Further Action X
Call meeting to order	Rikki & Becca	Introductions & approval of last meeting minutes	
Treasurer's Report	Cristina	\$10,544.67	
Membership	Dawn + Racheal	<p><b>Welcome new members !!!</b> Please be patient with any directory updates as we are working on acclimating our new board members in their roles. The resource list is updated 2x/year.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Supporter \$0.</b> Perfect for parents, community members, students or non-professional lactation supporters.</li> <li>- <b>Advocate \$50.</b> Perfect for non-lactation professionals, doulas, Community Health Workers, WIC staff, social workers, therapists, etc. who work with lactating parents.</li> <li>- <b>Professional \$100</b> Perfect for IBCLCs, CLCs, CBEs, RNs, MDs or other lactation professionals.</li> <li>- <b>Organization \$200</b> Perfect for pediatric practices, health districts, organizations, hospitals, etc. Adds up to 3 people per organization; for more than 3 people, contact</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;">Membership is Valid for 12 months</p> <p>Benefits of membership include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Discount on conferences and education events offered by NVBC</li> <li>* Discount on materials offered by the NVBC</li> <li>* First-hand opportunities to help shape the direction and perception of breastfeeding in our community!</li> </ul>	

		If you have any questions, reach out to Rosemarie & Morgan using this email address <a href="mailto:MembershipNVBC@gmail.com">MembershipNVBC@gmail.com</a>	
Coalition updates	Becca	<p><b>We are in search of an Events Coordinator and Swag Coordinator.</b></p> <p>View the full descriptions on our bylaws <a href="#">here</a>.</p>	
State Updates	Jackie Bonde		
ARPA Grant Update	Rikki	<p>The Nevada Lactation Hub Scholarship Program is a collaborative effort between the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV) and The Nevada Breastfeeding Coalition (NVBC) that will increase and diversify the next-generation lactation support providers in Nevada through November 2026. This project is being supported by federal allocation number SLFRP2634 allocated to the State of Nevada by the U.S. Department of the Treasury through a subward to the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (#SG 2024-00407, PI: Dr. Gabriela Buccini)</p> <p>Last year we have made several wonderful partnerships including Nourish Nevada, Renown Hospital, NVMCH, Anthem Wellness Center, UNLV Pediatric Clinic, &amp; The Healthy Living Institute. There are several barriers to becoming a lactation specialist and a board certified lactation consultant. This grant aims to help reduce those barriers and help future programs do the same.</p> <p>The grant has two components. To award 70 scholarships for people in NV who would like to become a lactation specialist. The second component is for 10 people who are on the path to become IBCLCs. This program is for those on the pathway 3 program by including chief mentors, and provides paid hours.</p> <p>In the past year we have awarded a total of 56 scholarships.</p> <p>The final round of scholarship applications available now!</p> <p>Learn about our lactation scholarships:</p> <p><a href="https://www.unlv.edu/publichealth/financial-aid/nv-lactation-hub">https://www.unlv.edu/publichealth/financial-aid/nv-lactation-hub</a></p>	
Community Updates	Rikki/Becca	<p>The Breastfeeding Support group is now <b>every Wednesday at HLI from 11a-12p</b>. (flyers were printed and can be distributed to organizations please email us if you would like some)</p> <p>We now have a new Spanish breastfeeding support group at The Anthem Wellness Center which will</p>	

		<p>run <b>every Thursday 9-10:15 am.</b> The support group will be run by IBCLC Ana Saldivar and the ARPA lactation scholarship recipients.</p> <p>Pediatric Clinic lactation services at UMC – free for patients on Tuesdays &amp; Thursdays.</p> <p><b>Upcoming Events/community updates:</b></p>	
Speaker	Jackie	<p>What topics do our members want to hear about? (PAST topics - aromatherapy, relactation, milk depot, tongue ties, laser therapy for nipple pain)</p> <p>*We are revamping the newsletter and will be out for February</p>	

***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](mailto:info@nvbreastfeeding.org)***

**Next Meeting Feb 18th!**