

Board Certified Lactation Consultant, Speaker, Writer, and Social Media Consultant

Mission:

As an International Board Certified Lactation Consultant (IBCLC), I provide clinical and educational support to mothers as they journey towards their own infant feeding goals. I am uniquely interested and skilled in the use of social media in connecting with and supporting today's new mothers, and I offer my expertise to birth and breastfeeding professionals who seek that important connection.

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Education:

1998 Graduate Certificate in Urban Ministry

Bresee Institute (Nazarene Theological Seminary), Los Angeles, CA

1997 Bachelor of Arts, Sociology

Mount Vernon Nazarene College, Mount Vernon, OH

Professional & Volunteer Experience:

2014 - present Marketing Coordinator

International Lactation Consultant Association

www.ilca.org

Coordinate all marketing and member communications for the international professional organization focused on advancing the International Board Certified Lactation Consultant (IBCLC)

profession worldwide.

2011 - present Professional Speaker, Writer, and Consultant

www.ambermccann.com

Provide public speaking, practical support, and education in online communication and marketing to birth and breastfeeding

professionals.

2013 - 2014	Lactation Consultant and Social Media Coordinator, Breastfeeding Center of Pittsburgh www.breastfeedingcenterofpittsburgh.com Provide clinical consultations to breastfeeding mothers while also coordinating all online marketing and support activities.
2012 - 2014	Co-Editor, Lactation Matters www.lactationmatters.org Manage the multi-contributor, official blog of the International Lactation Consultant Association (ILCA).
2012 - 2013	Blogger, Hygeia www.hygeiainc.com/blog Provide basic breastfeeding content for a major breastpump manufacturer.
2012 - 2013	Social Media Coordinator, GOLD www.goldconf.com Coordinate all online marketing activities.
2012 - 2013	Social Media Coordinator, Lactation Education Resources www.lactationtraining.com Coordinate all online marketing activities.
2011 - 2013	Owner/Lactation Consultant, Nourish Breastfeeding Support www.nourishbreastfeeding.com Provide education and in-home clinical breastfeeding support. My practice is deeply entrenched in the use of social media to connect with and support mothers locally and around the world.
2008 - 2010	Breast Care Coordinator, A Woman's Place on Main Street Offered breastfeeding support along with mastectomy prosthesis and bra fitting; managed a boutique-style retail business.
2008 - 2010	Leader, La Leche League International www.llli.org Supported families as an accredited mother-to-mother peer support leader.
2000 - 2002	Founding Board Member, Lower Lights Christian Health Center www.llchc.org Conducted initial studies to determine need for non-profit medical practice in a federally underserved community; managed large partnership proposal to a supporting organization.

1998 - 2000 Program Coordinator for COSI on Wheels, COSI

www.cosi.org/educators/outreach/cow

Developed and maintained systems to ensure efficient operations for a large traveling educational science program.

1997- 1998 Social Work Intern, St. Vincent's Cardinal Manning Center

Assisted staff social workers at a large homeless shelter on

Skid Row in Los Angeles, CA.

Certifications:

2010 International Board Certified Lactation Consultant (IBCLC)

2008 Amoena Certified Mastectomy Fitter

Speaking Engagements & Presentations:

September 2016 American Association of Birth Centers Conference (Presented with

Jeanette McCulloch, IBCLC)

Pittsburgh, PA, USA

Marketing and Social Media for Birth Centers

May 2016 United States Lactation Consultant Association

Online Webinar

Social Media, Online Communications, and Ethics

September 2015 Maryland Coalition of Lactation Consultants

Baltimore, MD, USA

Supporting Families in Milk Sharing as an International Board Certified

Lactation Consultant

(Presented with Jeanette McCulloch, IBCLC)

Social Media and Breastfeeding: Understanding Common Practices and

Ethics for Breastfeeding Professionals

July 2015 International Lactation Consultant Association Annual Conference

(Presented with Jeanette McCulloch, IBCLC)

Washington, DC, USA

The Care and Feeding of Your Organization's Social Media

April 2015 Lake Erie Breastfeeding Coalition Conference

Erie, PA, USA

Today's Mothers Are All Thumbs: Cultural Competency for Digital

Parenthood

March 2015 North Florida Lactation Coalition Conference

Jacksonville, FL, USA

Social Media 101: For Lactation Professionals and Volunteers

Supporting Families in Milk Sharing as an International Board Certified

Lactation Consultant
Ethics and Social Media

March 2015 Wisconsin Association of Lactation Consultants Conference

Appleton, WI, USA

Today's Mothers Are All Thumbs: Cultural Competency for Digital

Parenthood

She's More Than a Pair of Breasts: Supporting the Breastfeeding Family

as a Whole

Breasts and Blogs: A Who's Who of the Online Breastfeeding Community

November 2014 DC Lamaze

Online Session

Pinterest 101

November 2014 Ohio Valley Breastfeeding Coalition

Wheeling, WV, USA

Today's Mothers Are All Thumbs: Cultural Competency for Digital

Parenthood

She's More Than a Pair of Breasts: Supporting the Breastfeeding Family

as a Whole

Supporting Families in Milk Sharing as a Breastfeeding Professional

April 2014 Western Pennsylvania Lactation Consultant Association

Washington, PA, USA

Today's Moms Are All Thumbs: Cultural Competency for Digital

Parenthood

March 2014 Western Pennsylvania La Leche League Conference

Moon Township, PA, USA

Breastfeeding, Social Media, and La Leche League

She's More Than Just a Pair of Breasts: Supporting the Breastfeeding

Family as a Whole

100 Words: Stories from Breastfeeding Women

March 2014 Lactation Consultants in Private Practice Conference

(Presented with Jeanette McCulloch, Robin Kaplan, and Jonette

Feinberg, IBCLC)
Philadelphia, PA, USA

#SocMed, So What?: Creating and Growing an Online Presence

for Your Online Practice

Nov.-Dec. 2013 International Lactation Consultant Association Webinar Series

(Presented with Jeanette McCulloch, IBCLC)

Online Webinars

Today's Moms Are All Thumbs: Cultural Competency for Digital

Parenthood
Facebook 101
Twitter 101
Pinterest 101

October 2013 Lamaze International Conference

New Orleans, LA, USA

Keynote Presentation: Today's Moms Are All Thumbs: Cultural

Competency for Digital Parenthood

September 2013 Midwest Lactation Conference

Indianapolis, IN, USA

She's More Than Just a Pair of Breasts: Supporting the Breastfeeding

Family as a Whole

Today's Moms Are All Thumbs: Cultural Competency for Digital

Parenthood

Social Media 101 for Lactation Professionals and Volunteers

July 2013 International Lactation Consultant Association Conference

Melbourne, Australia

Use of Social Media: Establishing an Online Presence for IBCLCs and

Breastfeeding Support Organizations

Use of Social Media: Who's Who of Breastfeeding Support on the Web

May 2013 United States Lactation Consultant Association Conference

(Presented with Robin Kaplan, IBCLC)

St. Louis, MO, USA

Today's Moms Are All Thumbs: Using Social Media and Blogging to

Reach Breastfeeding Mothers

March 2013 Breastfeeding and Feminism Conference

(Presented with Jeanette McCulloch, IBCLC)

Chapel Hill, NC, USA

Defeating The Formula Death Star: Using Social Media To Advocate For

The WHO Code

February 2013 United States Lactation Consultant Association

Online Webinar

Twitter 101 for Lactation Consultants

June 2012 Lactation Consultants Association of Greater Washington

Silver Spring, MD, USA

Social Media 101 for Lactation Consultants

November 2011 Lactation Education Resources

Online Webinar

Social Media 101 for Lactation Consultants

September 2011 Maryland Coalition of Lactation Consultants

Baltimore, MD, USA

Social Media 101 for Lactation Consultants

November 2010 La Leche League of MD, DE, DC

Bethesda, MD, USA

Connecting the Group through Social Media

Publications:

Establishing an Online and Social Media Presence for Your IBCLC Practice. McCann, Amber and McCulloch, Jeanette. J Hum Lact. 2012 Nov;28(4):450-4.

Current Professional Associations:

International Lactation Consultant Association
United States Lactation Consultant Association

Board Memberships & Volunteer Positions:

Board of Directors Member, Three Rivers Mothers Milk Bank Marketing Committee, International Lactation Consultant Association Conference Program Committee, International Lactation Consultant Association