



The Lactation Consultant Profession—1985 to 2010



In the early 1980s, three factors converge to rekindle professional interest in breastfeeding: (1) increasing awareness of the need for health professionals who were skilled and knowledgeable about breastfeeding; (2) passage of the International Code of Marketing of Breastmilk Substitutes, and (3) a growing concern about the lack of quality assurance for consumers regarding breastfeeding expertise. In 1981, Judy Good, with strong support from Jan Riordan and Chele Marmet, encourages the Board of Directors of La Leche League International to develop a Lactation Consultant program. This culminates in the formation of LLLI's Lactation Consultant Department (LCD) in 1982, with Joanne Scott as Director and Linda Smith as Assistant Director.

The next 2½ years are spent researching credentialing, exams, educational programs, and professional regulation. Guidance from the US National Commission for Health Certifying Agencies leads to the decision to develop competency measures for those interacting with breastfeeding women before the development of an educational program. At the same time, Maureen Minchin, traveling in the USA from Australia, learns of plans for an association and a credential. She and Cindy Butler from Canada urge that the professional association and the certifying board be international initiatives. La Leche League International loans \$40,000 for the establishment of the certification board.

The first meeting to prepare a certification exam for lactation consultants takes place in 1984 at JoAnne Scott's house. JoAnne Scott, Chele Marmet, Linda Smith, June Hartman, Faith Bedford, Kathy Auerbach, Maureen Minchin, Debi Bocar, Pam Dunne, Sarah Danner and others meet to plan the exam and discuss what eventually will become the International Board of Lactation Consultant Examiners (IBLCE) and the International Lactation Consultant Association (ILCA). JoAnne Scott will become the Executive Director of IBLCE and Faith Bedford will establish ILCA as the professional association.

1985

The LLLI Lactation Consultant Department convenes the founding meeting of the International Board of Lactation Consultant Examiners on March 8-10, 1985 in Washington DC. It is attended by the founding IBLCE board members; members of the Representative Panel of Experts; Pris Bornmann, legal advisor; Darcy Loveland from the NCHCA; Leon Gross, psychometrician; and Nanci Steen, secretary. During the three-day meeting, the administrative structure of IBLCE is formed, bylaws are finalized, the exam process takes shape, and many exam questions are written.

The US National Commission for Health Certifying Agencies requires that the newly forming certifying body be independent from the professional association. Because LLLI had funded the development, they could not serve as the professional association. Therefore, a new association is formed which will be independent of the certifying body. The founding meeting of the International Lactation Consultant Association takes place at the Sheraton Washington Hotel in Washington DC on July 26, 1985.

When ILCA and IBLCE are officially formed in 1985 they hit the ground running! The enthusiasm and commitment of the founding members demonstrates how much can be accomplished by a small group of passionate pioneers. A Panel of Experts meets to design IBLCE's first certification exam. At the same time, planning is underway for the founding meeting of ILCA. Both organizations select a board of directors to lead them in their inaugural efforts to establish a brand new profession within the health care field.

- IBLCE's founding meeting takes place on March 8-10, 1985 in Washington DC.
- IBLCE's first board of directors includes Allan Coleman, Suzanne Cox, Sarah Danner, Judy Good, Marsha Hardin, Eileen Leaphart, Laurie Lowen, Susan Oke, Jan Riordan, JoAnne Scott, Linda Smith, Arnold Tanis, and Christina Villafuerte.
- The Panel of Experts that develops the first IBLCE exam includes Kathy Auerbach, Barbara Bernard, Debi Bocar, Karin Cadwell, Jeanne Driscoll, Judi Lauwers, Ruth Lawrence, Chele Marmet, Maureen Minchin, Audrey Naylor, Ellen Shell, Edith Tibbetts, Marsha Walker, and Candace Woessner.
- The first IBLCE exam is administered on July 23, with 248 candidates taking the exam at Georgetown University in Washington, DC and 12 candidates in Melbourne, Australia. IBLCE board members and Panel of Experts members are prohibited from taking the exam and receive one-time-only certification. They will all take their first exam in 1991.
- La Leche League's Lactation Consultant Committee hosts an educational meeting on July 25 in Washington, DC, following the La Leche League conference and IBLCE exam. This marks the first official educational gathering of lactation consultants.
- ILCA's founding meeting takes place in Washington DC on July 26, attended by Faith Bedford, Candace Woessner, Kathy Warmbier, Linda Smith, Linda Kutner, Pris Bornmann, Kathy Auerbach, Judi Lauwers, Barbara Bernard and Ann Pickering. ILCA's administrative structure is defined with bylaws, statement of purpose, policies, goals, and objectives. The Board of Directors election takes place at the meeting, with absentee ballots accepted from those who cannot attend.
- ILCA's new journal, Consultants' Corner, is assembled on Faith Bedford's kitchen table. Kathleen Auerbach becomes editor.

- A Professional Advisory Board is formed with representation from the larger audience of health care professionals. Inaugural members announced in ILCA's first issue of Consultant's Corner include:
 - Robert Bedford, MD
 - Barbara Happ, RN, IBCLC
 - Derrick Jelliffe, MD
 - Maureen Minchin, MA
 - Anthony Myres, PhD
 - Niles Newton, PhD
 - Frank Oski, MD
 - Sylvia Rumball, PhD
 - Arnold Tanis, MD
- An Editorial Review Board is formed to ensure clinical relevance and quality research in the journal. Inaugural members announced in ILCA's first issue of Consultant's Corner include:
 - Betty Ann Countryman, MN
 - Sarah Coulter Danner, CNM, IBCLC
 - Paul Fleiss, MD
 - Lawrence Gartner, MD
 - Mary Renfrew Houston, PhD
 - Jan Riordan, MN, IBCLC
 - Marsha Walker, RN
- After two issues of Consultant's Corner, the journal's name is changed to Journal of Human Lactation and the journal begins to accept commercial advertising. Consultants' Corner becomes a regular column in the newly named journal. The first research article to appear is 'The effectiveness of topical agents in reducing nipple soreness of breastfeeding mothers,' by Jan Riordan.
- ILCA has 185 members by year's end.

1985 ILCA leadership:

- Board President – Faith Bedford
- Board President-elect – Candace Woessner
- Board Vice President – Trina Vosti
- Board Secretary – Linda Smith
- Board Treasurer – Kathy Warmbier
- Board US Delegate – Linda Kutner
- Board Canadian Delegate – Linda Stewart
- Board Non-US Delegate – Evi Adams
- Conference Committee – Judi Lauwers, Ann Pickering, Jan Riordan, Linda Smith
- Discipline Committee – Karin Cadwell, Chele Marmet
- Journal of Human Lactation staff – Kathy Auerbach (editor), Ann Pickering, Angela Jacobi, Mary-Margaret Coates, Judi Lauwers, Anne Garrett
- Legal Counsel – Priscilla Bornmann
- Publicity and Networking Committee – Kathy Auerbach, Linda Smith

1986

As word of the new profession spreads, ILCA membership increases substantially in its second year. Close ties are forged between ILCA and IBLCE as both organizations work toward defining the new profession. ILCA reaches out to inform the health care profession about the professional lactation consultant. Within one year after their founding meeting, ILCA hosts its first annual conference.

- First Directory of Members is published.
- ILCA begins formal representation on the IBLCE board.
- ILCA forms a News Response Team to write letters to professional journals, magazines and newspapers.
- ILCA Canada is formed.
- Part of the IBLCE exam is piloted in Spanish.
- ILCA's first annual conference, "Lactation Consultants...Challenges of a New Profession," is cosponsored with La Leche League at the Del Coronado in San Diego, California. There are 123 registrants representing 30 US states and 3 countries.
- ILCA has 550 members from 15 countries.
- The IBLCE exam is administered to 222 candidates.

1986 ILCA leadership:

- Board President – Candace Woessner
- Board President-elect – Linda Desmarais
- Board Past President – Faith Bedford
- Board Vice President – Trina Vosti
- Board Secretary – Linda Smith
- Board Correspondence Secretary – Vicki Honer
- Board Treasurer – Kathy Warmbier
- Board US Delegate – Linda Kutner
- Board Canadian Delegate – Linda Mellway
- Board International Delegate – Evi Adams
- Conference Committee – Trina Vosti (Chair), Anne Garrett, Carolyn Zara, Andrea Van Outryve, Judi Lauwers
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- Journal of Human Lactation staff – Kathy Auerbach (editor), Ann Pickering, Angela Jacobi, Mary-Margaret Coates, Judi Lauwers, Anne Garrett
- Legal Counsel – Priscilla Bornmann
- Publicity and Networking Committee – Linda Mellway (Chair), Kathy Auerbach, Linda Smith
- Representative to IBLCE – Faith Bedford

1987

ILCA defines a Lactation Consultant: “In 15 years ... this individual would have an advanced degree in lactation, functioning at a masters-degree level with college-level communication skills and specialized training in behavior and social sciences, specialized scientific courses, and an internship required...” The association journal takes on a more professional appearance, and membership continues to multiply. Increasing numbers of candidates sit for the IBLCE exam. Despite the absence of a formal structure, affiliate groups begin to form throughout the world; a testament to the enthusiasm begin generated within the new profession.

- ILCA publishes its first journal with a formal cover (until now the cover has contained the table of contents). The format of a white background and green ink will continue until 1997.
- Candace Woessner represents ILCA at CLEAR, a clearing house for information about licensure; CLEAR advises that no new licensure is necessary unless it is needed to protect the public interest.
- ILCA formally approves an IBLCE News column in the journal as a vehicle for IBLCE to communicate with certification candidates.
- IBLCE begins recertification by Continuing Education Recognition Points (CERPs) and grants an additional year to the 1985 cohort to allow them to acquire sufficient numbers of CERPs.
- ILCA grants its first Outstanding Achievement Award in Human Lactation to Niles Newton. The award is later renamed the Niles Newton Award for Outstanding Achievement in Human Lactation following her death in 1993.
- ILCA’s second annual conference, and first stand-alone conference, “Uniting the Art of Breastfeeding and the Science of Lactation,” takes place in Chicago, Illinois.
- ILCA has 11 affiliate groups and 814 members representing 18 countries.
- In July, 281 candidates sit for the IBLCE exam and 255 pass the exam.

1987 ILCA leadership:

- Board President – Linda Desmarais
- Board President-elect – Jeanine Klaus
- Board Past President – Candace Woessner
- Board Vice President – Laura Best
- Board Secretary – Linda Smith
- Board Administrative Assistant – Vicki Horner
- Board Treasurer – Kathy Warmbier
- Board US Delegate – Linda Kutner
- Board Canadian Delegate – Linda Mellway
- Board International Delegate – Helen Armstrong
- Conference Committee – Trina Vosti (Chair), Anne Garrett, Carolyn Zara, Andrea Van Outryve, Judi Lauwers
- Discipline Committee – Karin Cadwell, Chele Marmet
- Education Committee Chair – Angela Jacobi
- Journal of Human Lactation staff – Kathy Auerbach (editor), Ann Pickering, Angela Jacobi, Mary-Margaret Coates, Judi Lauwers, Anne Garrett, JoAnne Scott, Maria Teresa Asquith
- Legal Counsel – Priscilla Bornmann

- Publicity and Networking Committee – Kathy Auerbach, Linda Smith
- Representative to IBLCE – Faith Bedford

1988

- The growth that is occurring in this new profession is astounding. With affiliates forming everywhere, a formal structure is developed to define their relationship with ILCA. ILCA addresses US-based issues such as reimbursement and WIC, as well as international issues such as the International Code on Marketing of Breastmilk Substitutes. ILCA's outreach continues to expand to help influence policies and standards related to breastfeeding throughout the world.
- A Third-Party Reimbursement Committee is formed with Linda Zielinski as Chair.
- ILCA becomes a 501-c3 corporation, designating ILCA as organized for a public purpose, not a narrow professional focus.
- ILCA becomes the first breastfeeding organization to endorse the International Code of Marketing of Breastmilk Substitutes that had been adopted by the World Health Assembly in 1981. The Journal of Human Lactation becomes the first professional journal to make a commitment to conform to the Code.
- ILCA presents testimony to the Policy Committee for the Year 2000 US Health Objectives Consortium and participates in the American Public Health Association/WIC project.
- Independent study module development begins.
- First membership brochure is published.
- An International Code Committee is formed with Linda Desmarais as Chair. ILCA publishes the International Code of Marketing of Breastmilk Substitutes in the journal.
- Letters of support are written to health ministers in Brazil for national enforcement of the International Code.
- ILCA publishes a Lactation Consultant's Declaration and encourages members to sign it as a personal commitment.
- IBLCE establishes alternative criteria for admission as a certification candidate that combine education with practice hours.
- IBLCE status with the National Commission for Health Certifying Agencies is changed from affiliate to membership, becoming one of only two organizations ever to be accepted for membership on first application.
- A Challenge Grant is offered for recognition of outstanding research and literature review articles in the journal. ILCA receives more than \$7200.
- ILCA's third Annual Conference, "Health Care Professionals Working Together: The Team Approach to Breastfeeding," is held in King of Prussia, Pennsylvania.
- After development of a formal affiliate structure, ILCA has 21 affiliates in the first year, including VELB in Switzerland.
- The IBLCE exam is administered to 281 candidates.

1988 ILCA leadership

- Board President – Jeanine Klaus
- Board Past President – Linda Desmarais
- Board First Vice President – Laura Best
- Board Second Vice President – Barbara Bernard
- Board Secretary – Vicki Honer
- Board Treasurer – Kathy Warmbier

- Board US Delegate – Kathleen Huggins
- Board Canadian Delegate – Michelle Martin
- Board International Delegate – Helen Armstrong
- Conference Committee – Laura Best (Chair), Judi Lauwers, Anne Garrett, Carolyn Zara, Andrea Van Outryve,
- Discipline Committee – Karin Cadwell, Chele Marmet
- Education Committee Chair – Candace Woessner
- International Code Committee Chair – Linda Desmarais
- Journal of Human Lactation staff – Kathy Auerbach (editor), Ginna Wall, Joan Dodgson, Laura Toll, , Lynne Apple, Barbara Dunlap, Angela Jacobi, JoAnne Scott, Mary-Margaret Coates, Meta Levin, Pardee Hinson, Caren Flashner, Linda Kutner, Anne Garrett, Ann Mercer, Maria Teresa Asquith
- Legal Counsel – Priscilla Bornmann
- Membership Coordinator – Linda Smith
- Nominating Committee Chair – Kathleen Huggins
- Publicity and Networking Committee – Kathy Auerbach, Linda Smith
- Representative to IBLCE – Faith Bedford
- Third-party Reimbursement Committee Chair – Linda Zielinski

1989

Formal grant programs are initiated which will continue in subsequent years to provide assistance to ILCA members for conference attendance. An award program begins for outstanding research articles in the association journal. ILCA begins to establish formal relationships with other organizations with similar objectives.

- Policy manual development begins and Barbara Bernard begins work on a Code of Ethics.
- ILCA obtains NGO status with the World Health Organization and the United Nations.
- ILCA writes a letter of support to the US Senate for dedicated breastfeeding funding in the WIC program.
- Karen Keith represents ILCA in the NGO Committee of UNICEF and the US Year 2000 Health Objective meetings.
- Jeanine Klaus represents ILCA at the 10th Anniversary IBFAN Forum, Manila, Philippines.
- With funds from the Challenge Grant Fund, ILCA establishes the Cecily Williams Grant in addition to the Literature Review and Research Paper awards. The Cecily Williams Grant commemorates the work of the pioneering physician in infant and young child nutrition and is awarded to a member outside the US and Canada for conference attendance.
- A Research Paper award is established for 1990 and 1991.
- A Literature Review manuscript award is established for 1990 and 1991.
- ILCA is represented at a meeting at UNICEF by Karen Keith.
- ILCA's fourth Annual Conference, and first non-US conference, "The Emerging Triad in Lactation: Education, Clinical Practice and Research," is held in Toronto, Canada. There are 360 delegates from Australia, Canada, Ecuador, France, Honduras, Kenya, the UK and the US. The conference proceedings are simultaneously translated into French.
- ILCA has 27 affiliate groups.
- The IBLCE exam is administered to 306 candidates in four US sites and in Canada, Switzerland, Ireland, Africa, Australia, and New Zealand. It is offered in English, French, and German.

1989 ILCA leadership

- Board President – Jeanine Klaus
- Board President-elect – Jan Barger
- Board First Vice President – Laura Best
- Board Second Vice President – Barbara Bernard
- Board Secretary – Vicki Honer
- Board Treasurer – Ginni Brackett
- Board Canadian Delegate – Jacki Glover
- Board International Delegate – Maureen Minchin
- Board US Delegate – Chele Marmet
- Conference Committee – Anne Garrett, Andrea Van Outryve, Mary Alice Tinari, Diane Herforth, Kathy Warmbier, Terri Bloomingdale, Cindy Martin
- Conference Coordinator – Judi Lauwers
- Display manager – Sheila McNutt
- Education Committee Chair – Candace Woessner

- Human Services Coordinator – Pat Coffee
- International Code Committee Chair – Margot Mann
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- Legal Counsel – Priscilla Bornmann
- Third-party Reimbursement Committee Chair – Linda Zielinski
- Liaison to American Public Health Association – Nancy Schweers
- Liaison to IBLCE – Linda Desmarais
- Liaison to US Year 2000 Health Objective – Karen Keith

1990

As ILCA enters its fifth year, the association's influence and professionalism continues to grow. The journal is now published professionally and is becoming recognized throughout the world. Until now, ILCA has operated through a post office box, with no official office. In its fifth year, ILCA is given an official home office and telephone number. Representatives of the association reach out to increasing numbers of organizations with like interests. ILCA membership and IBLCE exam candidates continue to multiply.

- ILCA's Publications Department is formed.
- Development of ILCA's Standards of Practice for IBCLC Lactation Consultants document begins. The ILCA board later determines that establishing such standards is the work of IBLCE and dissolves the committee.
- Human Sciences Press becomes the journal publisher.
- ILCA's Each One Reach One Campaign (EORO) emerges from a challenge proposed by Jan Barger, ILCA's president-elect, to encourage membership in the association.
- ILCA joins the US Healthy Mothers/Healthy Babies coalition.
- Ginni Brackett's home in Evanston, Illinois becomes ILCA's official address with Ginni as office manager.
- ILCA is represented at UNICEF and US Year 2000 Consortium Health Objectives for the Nation Committee.
- IBLCE institutes the Association for Lactation Consultant Certification to provide scholarships for low-income and developing-country candidates.
- The site for the annual conference must be moved from San Francisco, California to Scottsdale, Arizona because of earthquake damage to the hotel.
- ILCA's award for Outstanding Achievement in Human Lactation is granted to Mavis Gunther.
- ILCA's Cecily Williams Grant is awarded to Donna Canlas of the Phillipines.
- The Deanna Sollid Excellence in Leadership in Lactation Award is established by Bay Area Lactation Associates, and the first award is given to Peg Dublin.
- ILCA's fifth Annual Conference, "Lactation Consultant: Educator, Nurturer and Agent for Change," takes place in Scottsdale, Arizona. The Hyatt Regency resort is a popular venue and ILCA returns there in subsequent years until conference attendance outgrows meeting space.
- ILCA has 25 active affiliates and 1400 members, including 94 non-US members representing 25 countries.
- The IBLCE exam is given to 430 candidates at 21 sites, in 6 countries, and in two languages (English and German). Over half of the exam sites are outside North America.

1990 ILCA leadership:

- Board President – Jan Barger
- Board Past President – Jeanine Klaus
- Board First Vice President – Karen Evon
- Board Second Vice President – Marsha Walker
- Board Secretary – Chris Mulford
- Board Treasurer – Ginni Brackett

- Board US Delegate – Chele Marmet
- Board Canadian Delegate – Jacki Glover
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- Conference Coordinators – Carole Peterson, Anne Garrett
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- Education Committee Chair – Linda Smith
- Financial Resources Director – Karen Anderson Keith
- Human Services Coordinator – Pat Coffey
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- Legal Counsel – Priscilla Bornmann
- Membership Coordinator – Faith Ploude
- Nominating Committee Chair – Chele Marmet
- Office Manager – Ginni Brackett
- Publications Manager – Linda Kutner
- Third-party Reimbursement Committee Chair – Linda Zielinski
- Liaison to American Public Health Association – Nancy Schweers
- Liaison to IBLCE – Linda Desmarais
- Liaison to US Year 2000 Consortium Health Objectives for the Nation Committee – Gene Cranston Anderson

1991

ILCA is an integral voice in policy meetings and role delineation for the lactation consultant profession. The leadership role the association plays as a center for networking and resources provides guidance to members in their clinical practice. The profession is described as a three-legged stool. One leg is ILCA, the professional association. A second leg is IBLCE, the certification body. Attention now focuses on the third leg, accreditation of courses that prepare the lactation consultant to practice professionally.

- ILCA participates in the US Role Delineation and Expert Work Group projects.
- ILCA's accreditation project begins and the first course directors meeting takes place.
- ILCA's Resource Kit is published.
- ILCA's Recommendations & Competencies are published as precursor to standards of practice.
- ILCA's Position Paper on Infant Feeding is published.
- ILCA publishes a brochure on the role of the lactation consultant.
- ILCA establishes formal Correspondence Status with UNICEF.
- ILCA endorses the Innocenti Declaration.
- ILCA's first Course Directory is compiled to assist students in locating a course.
- The structure of National Affiliate status was finalized and presented to non-US members for ratification.
- National affiliate status is granted to groups in Australia, Canada, Germany, Switzerland, and New Zealand.
- As NGO representative to UNICEF, Laura Best attends meetings through which the World Alliance for Breastfeeding Action (WABA) is formed.
- ILCA is recognized by the World Health Organization for funding translations of WHO's Infant Feeding: The Physiologic Basis.
- The Cecily Williams Grant is awarded to Zuleika Thomson of Londrina-Parana, Brazil.
- The Deanna Sollid Excellence in Leadership in Lactation Award is granted to Louise Tellalian.
- ILCA's sixth Annual Conference, "Toward the Year 2000: Promoting, Preserving and Protecting Breastfeeding," takes place in Miami, Florida amid hundreds of Brazilian teenagers on school break. More than 470 delegates attend from 14 countries and 41 US states.
- ILCA has over 2500 members and 32 affiliate groups.
- Members of the IBLCE Panel of Experts who had been "grandparented" take the exam for the first time.
- IBLCE completes repayment of its \$40,000 loan from La Leche League International.

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- Board President – Jan Barger
- Board President-elect – Linda Kutner
- Board First Vice President – Karen Evon
- Board Second Vice President – Marsha Walker
- Board Secretary – Chris Mulford

- Board Treasurer – Ginni Brackett
- Board US Delegate – Chele Marmet
- Board Canadian Delegate – Jacki Glover
- Board International Delegate – Felicity Savage
- Conference Committee – Andrea Van Outryve, Mary Alice Tinari, Diane Herforth, LuAnn Smith, Chris Mulford, Terri Bloomingdale, Cindy Reeves (Bastian), Winnie Mading
- Conference Coordinators – Carole Peterson, Anne Garrett
- Human Resources Coordinator – Patricia Coffey
- International Code Committee Chair – Maureen Minchin
- Journal of Human Lactation staff – Kathy Auerbach (editor), Ginna Wall, Joan Dodgson, Laura Toll, Lois Arnold, Lynne Apple, Barbara Dunlap, Angela Jacobi, JoAnne Scott, Mary-Margaret Coates, Jane Bradshaw, Meta Levin, Pardee Hinson, Jimmy Stimpson
- Legal Counsel – Priscilla Bornmann
- Membership Coordinator – Faith Ploude
- Membership coordinators – Faith Ploude, Vicki Carlson
- Nomenclature Committee Chair – Vergie Hughes
- Nominating Committee – Jeanine Klaus, Pardee Hinson, Linda Kutner
- Office Manager – Ginni Brackett
- PR Coordinator and display manager – Jane VanNort
- Publications Manager – Linda Kutner
- Third-party Reimbursement Committee Chair – Linda Zielinski
- Liaison to American Public Health Association – Nancy Schweers
- Liaison to IBLCE – Linda Desmarais
- Liaison to UNICEF – Laura Best
- Liaison to US Healthy Mothers/Healthy Babies – Renee Howard

1992

Membership in the association continues to multiply, reaching 3000 by year's end. Until this time, the journal has listed all newly certified IBCLCs each year. The number of newly certified IBCLCs becomes so large that the journal cannot manage the large numbers and discontinues this practice. ILCA continues to be challenged to maintain an international focus when such a large portion of members are from the US. ILCA is involved in discussions and planning for a Baby-friendly Hospital Initiative.

- A Nomenclature Committee begins work to clarify breastfeeding terms.
- Summary of the Hazards of Infant Formula is published.
- ILCA is approved as a long-term provider of CERPs with IBLCE.
- ILCA adopts the slogan, Supporting Breastfeeding Worldwide.
- International Childbirth Education Association (ICEA) adopts ILCA's Position Paper on Infant Feeding as its own statement protecting and promoting breastfeeding.
- ILCA formalizes a program to develop liaison relationships with associations whose goals are similar to ILCA's goals.
- A formal plan is submitted to the board to start a National US Affiliate.
- ILCA is represented at the Baby-friendly Hospital Initiative taskforce in Geneva, Switzerland by Jan Barger. Laurie Cooper at US Healthy Mothers/Healthy Babies begins working with Minda Lazarov to develop a US-based Baby-friendly Hospital Initiative.
- ILCA develops a set of action materials to complement the first World Breastfeeding Week.
- ILCA begins conference scholarship offerings to assist members with financial need.
- ILCA is represented at a meeting of UNICEF by Laura Best.
- The Deanna Sollid Excellence in Leadership in Lactation Award to Chele Marmet and Janet Hitchcock.
- ILCA's seventh Annual Conference, "Breastfeeding Supporting the Present, Nurturing the Future," takes place in the suburbs of Chicago Illinois with nearly 800 attendees representing 9 countries and 46 US states.
- ILCA has over 3000 members in 27 countries, 36 US affiliate groups, and 8 international affiliate groups.
- The IBLCE exam is given to 834 candidates in 31 locations across 7 countries and 4 continents. It is now given in English, French, German and Spanish.

1992 ILCA leadership

- Board President – Linda Kutner
- Board Past President – Jan Barger
- Board First Vice President – Karen Evon
- Board Second Vice President – Marsha Walker
- Board Secretary – Chris Mulford
- Board Treasurer – Ginni Brackett
- Board US Delegate – Mary Grace Lanese
- Board Canadian Delegate – Frances Jones
- Board International Delegate – Felicity Savage

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- Legal Counsel – Priscilla Bornmann
- Office Manager – Ginni Brackett
- Third-party Reimbursement Committee Chair – Linda Zielinski
- World Breastfeeding Week Coordinator – Carol Adams
- Liaison to American Public Health Association – Nancy Schweers
- Liaison to IBLCE – Jeanine Klaus

1993

ILCA continues to expand its sphere of influence through increasing numbers of organizations. The publishing schedule of the journal cannot announce upcoming events quickly enough for eager members, and a member newsletter is begun. Leadership structure continues to evolve to meet the needs of ever increasing numbers of members.

- Ten US Regional Representative positions are developed.
- The first member newsletter, ILCA Globe, is published quarterly to provide more immediate communications with the membership than is possible through the journal. Jan Barger is the editor.
- ILCA officially recognizes the IBCLC certification as the professional credential for the lactation consultant.
- ILCA endorses a statement on maternal and child nutrition at the International Conference on Nutrition via the NGO Committee for UNICEF.
- ASPO/Lamaze adopts ILCA's Position Paper on Infant Feeding as its own statement protecting and promoting breastfeeding.
- ILCA is represented at meetings of the United States Department of Agriculture; La Leche League International; American Academy of Pediatrics; American Dietetic Association; UNICEF; World Health Organization; International Congress of Midwives; US Healthy People 2000; WIC Reauthorization; Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies; International Conference on Nutrition; US Breastfeeding Promotion Consortium, CLEAR, and the US Department of Health and Human Science Role Delineation and Expert Work Group.
- Mary Grace Lanese represents ILCA at an Expert Work Group to study the feasibility of implementing the Baby Friendly Hospital Initiative in the US.
- The Cecily Williams Grant is awarded to Rukhsana Haider of Bangladesh.
- The Deanna Sollid Excellence in Leadership in Lactation Award is granted to Janet M. De Coopman and Sylvia Delaney.
- ILCA's eighth Annual Conference, "Foundations of Influence: A Proactive Approach to Breastfeeding," takes place in Scottsdale, Arizona USA.
- The IBLCE exam is given to 1171 candidates in 48 locations across 12 countries. It is offered in Dutch for the first time.

1993 ILCA leadership

- Board President – Linda Kutner
- Board President-elect – Karen Gromada
- Board Past President – Jan Barger
- Board First Vice President – Gwen Chute
- Board Second Vice President – Marsha Walker
- Board Secretary – Chris Mulford
- Board Treasurer – Pardee Hinson
- Board US Delegate – Mary Grace Lanese
- Board Canadian Delegate – Frances Jones
- Board International – Jan Edwards
- Conference Committee – Andrea Van Outryve, Mary Alice Tinari, Diane Herforth, LuAnn Smith, Chris Mulford, Terri Bloomingdale, Cindy Reeves (Bastian), Winnie Mading

- Conference Coordinator – Carole Peterson
- Consultant on US Public Affairs – Nancy Schweers
- Education Committee Chair – Linda Smith
- Human Services Coordinator – Pat Coffey
- International Code Committee Chair – Renee Hefti
- Independent Study Module Coordinator – Lois Arnold
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- Legal Counsel – Priscilla Bornmann
- Nominating Committee Chair – Jan Barger
- Office Manager – Ginni Brackett
- Third-party Reimbursement Committee Chair – Alison Hazelbaker
- World Breastfeeding Week Coordinator – Carol Adams
- Liaison to IBLCE – Jeanine Klaus

1994

ILCA's presence on the international stage reaches new heights with liaisons traveling to Switzerland and China to represent the association. The association's commitment to lactation research is formalized with the initiation of a committee devoted to encouraging original research among ILCA members. With UNICEF's launch of the Baby-friendly Hospital Initiative, ILCA's commitment to breastfeeding promotion is strengthened and supported.

- Position Paper on Infant Feeding is revised and published.
- Becoming a Lactation Consultant brochure is published.
- ILCA Research Committee is formed with Roberta Hewat as Chair.
- Funding is set aside to provide affiliate materials to ten international sister groups for one year each.
- Development of a Third-Party Reimbursement packet begins.
- Linda Smith is hired to develop the Course Directors Accreditation Project.
- Genevieve Becker gives ILCA's first address to the World Health Assembly in Geneva, Switzerland – ILCA's 'maiden speech' upon establishing official relations with the World Health Organization.
- Chris Mulford represents ILCA at planning meetings for the NGO Forum at the International Women's Conference, Beijing, China.
- Nancy Schweers represents ILCA at meetings of UNICEF and the United Nations.
- ILCA's ninth Annual Conference, "Connections through Breast Feeding," takes place in Atlanta, Georgia with 950 attendees. The conference presents the first poster session.
- ILCA has 3352 members, 40 US affiliates and affiliates from Australia, Canada, New Zealand, Germany, and Switzerland.
- The IBLCE exam is administered to 1198 candidates in 56 locations in 13 countries. It is offered in Arabic for the first time.

1994 ILCA leadership

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- Conference Coordinator – Carole Peterson
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- Education Committee Chair – Linda Smith

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- Third-party Reimbursement Committee Chair – Alison Hazelbaker
- US Regional Representatives – Dawn Frank, Phyllis Kombol, Kathy Swift, Sue Bedard, Diane Herforth
- World Breastfeeding Week Coordinator – Debbie Pierce
- Liaison to IBLCE – Jan Barger

1995

ILCA's tenth year is marked by a move to professional business management, with the hiring of the first of two management firms. Publication development and international representation continue. With the advent of the Internet, communications and networking among lactation professionals enter a new age.

- ILCA's Mission Statement is developed, "to promote the professional development, advancement, and recognition of lactation consultants worldwide for the benefit of breastfeeding women, infants, and children."
- ILCA's Position Paper on HIV and Infant Feeding is revised and published.
- Standards of Practice for IBCLC Lactation Consultants is published.
- ILCA hires Burnison, Martello, Associates of Illinois (BMAI) management firm and moves operations to Chicago, Illinois.
- Kathleen Bruce and Kathy Auerbach create the listserv, Lactnet, enabling lactation consultants to network with one another over the Internet.
- ILCA is represented at the NGO Forum at the 4th World Conference on Women, Beijing, China, by Chris Mulford.
- ILCA is represented at the US Breastfeeding Leadership Roundtables by Nancy Schweers.
- The Deanna Sollid Excellence in Leadership in Lactation Award is granted to Betty Bowles.
- ILCA's tenth Annual Conference, "Birth of a Profession: ILCA Ten Years Later," is held in Scottsdale, Arizona.
- ILCA has 3645 members.
- The IBLCE exam is administered to 1556 candidates in 87 locations across 14 countries. It is offered in a culturally adapted format in developing countries for the first time.

1995 ILCA leadership:

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- Liaison to US Breastfeeding Promotion Consortium – Marsha Walker, Nancy Schweers

1996

While ILCA experiences a difficult year financially, the board of directors and past leadership collaborate to guide the association through this challenging period. ILCA board members rise to the task and demonstrate once again that the strength of the association is its members. Despite this hurdle, ILCA continues to gain recognition in the international arena.

- ILCA endorses World Alliance for Breastfeeding Action.
- Education task force is formed to develop a core curriculum.
- First research grant is awarded to Kay Hoover for a project entitled 'Treating resistant infant oral thrush in pediatric practice.
- ILCA members receive a complimentary copy of the ILCA's Standards of Practice for IBCLC Lactation Consultants.
- ILCA website is launched.
- ILCA is granted Correspondence Status by the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC), allowing ILCA to designate official representatives to the United Nations headquarters in New York and the UN offices in Geneva and Vienna.
- IBLCE Code of Ethics for IBCLCs is adopted and published.
- ILCA is represented at the WABA Global Forum in Bangkok, Thailand; the World Food Summit; and the European BFHI Workshop by Genevieve Becker.
- ILCA is represented at the ASPO/Lamaze Childbirth Congress by Karen Gromada.
- ILCA is represented at the US Healthy People 2000/2010 Consortium meeting by Nancy Schweers.
- ILCA exhibits at the American Academy of Pediatrics conference.
- ILCA's eleventh Annual Conference, "Breastfeeding: A Cross-cultural Connection," is held in Kansas City, Missouri with 1011 attendees.
- ILCA has nearly 4500 members in 31 countries.
- The IBLCE exam is administered to 1770 candidates in 95 locations across 17 countries.
- IBLCE offers a research pathway for candidates recertifying at 10 years, requiring that they refrain from any special preparation. The purpose is to study whether continuing education affects continuing competency.

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- Website manager – Sue Ann Kendall
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- Liaison to IBLCE – Linda Kutner
- Liaison to US Breastfeeding Promotion Consortium – Marsha Walker

1997

In an effort to address fiscal challenges, ILCA secures the services of Olson Management Group, an association management company located in Raleigh, North Carolina USA. Despite numerous obstacles, the Annual Conference is held in New Orleans, Louisiana USA and the publication of the Journal of Human Lactation under the guidance of Jane Heinig continues uninterrupted, no small feat! The ILCA Board of Directors is beginning to see light at the end of a very dark tunnel.

- Olson Management Group is hired to manage ILCA and ILCA headquarters moved to Raleigh, North Carolina.
- The journal continues to be published by Imprint Publications while alternative publishers are sought.
- Position Paper on HIV and Infant Feeding is revised and published.
- Translations of ILCA materials and Journal of Human Lactation abstracts are initiated.
- ILCA's twelfth Annual Conference, "Breastfeeding: An Investment in Tomorrow," is held in New Orleans, Louisiana, with an attendance of 950 registrants.
- ILCA has 4410 members. There are 47 US affiliate groups.
- The IBLCE exam is administered to 1670 candidates in 106 locations across 23 countries, representing all continents except Antarctica. The exam is offered in English, Dutch, French, German, Italian, and Spanish. It is also offered in British English for the first time.

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- Liaison to IBLCE – Barbara Wilson-Clay
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- Liaison to World Alliance for Breastfeeding Action – Elsa Giugliani
- Liaison to World Health Organization – Madeleine Lehman

1998

The association continues to expand its representation at international forums. Planning begins on a seminal document on breastfeeding management strategies that will ultimately become published in several languages and provide guidance throughout the health care professions.

- Committee is formed to work with IBLCE to promote the IBCLC credential.
- Panel is formed to develop evidence-based strategies for the first 14 postpartum days, with Susan Ellerbee as Chair. The US Maternal and Child Health Bureau (MCHB) awards ILCA a grant for the project.
- ILCA Cookbook is published.
- Summary of the Hazards of Infant Formula Part 2 is published.
- Position on Infant Feeding in Emergencies is published.
- ILCA pin is developed by Terriann Shell.
- ILCA adopts a variable dues structure to reflect global economic standards among countries.
- ILCA is represented at the WEMOS International Meeting on Infant Feeding in Emergency Situations in Split, Croatia by Elizabeth Hormann and Madeleine Lehmann-Buri.
- ILCA is represented at the Codex Alimentarius meeting, Berlin by Elizabeth Hormann and Maryse Lehner.
- ILCA is represented at the WABA Breastfeeding, Women and Work workshop in Manila, Phillipines by Doraine Bailey and Chris Mulford.
- ILCA is represented at the World Health Assembly and the International Conference on AIDS in Geneva by Madeleine Lehman-Buri.
- ILCA is represented at the World Health Organization Roundtable Discussions in Geneva between the WHO director and breastfeeding non-governmental organizations.
- ILCA is represented at the US Healthy People 2010 Regional Meetings by Jan Barger.
- ILCA is represented at the US Breastfeeding Committee National Breastfeeding Policy Conference by Amy Spangler.
- An ILCA Achievement Award is given to Kathy Auerbach. The award recognizes individuals who have made a significant contribution to the association and the field of human lactation.
- The Eli Hormann Memorial Fund is established in memory of Elizabeth Hormann's son. The fund will help lactation consultants in developing and emerging countries to attend regional or international conferences or continuing education programs.
- ILCA's thirteenth Annual Conference, "Lactation Consultants: Protecting a Renewable Resource," is held in Boca Raton, Florida.
- The IBLCE exam is administered to 1812 candidates in 123 locations across 26 countries, representing all continents. The exam is offered in English, Dutch, French, German, Italian, Portuguese, and British English. It is the first year the exam is offered in Portuguese.

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- Professional Education Council – Mary Overfield
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1999

Significant progress occurs in ILCA publications and the association begins an initiative that will identify the skills necessary for a lactation consultant. With didactic learning being addressed by the accreditation project, focus now turns to clinical skills that will ensure optimal care.

- Position on Infant Feeding in Emergencies is translated into Albanian.
- ILCA establishes formal liaison with the US Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations.
- Sage Publishing is hired to publish the journal.
- Evidence-based Guidelines for Breastfeeding Management during the First Fourteen Days is published and is accepted by the US National Guideline Clearinghouse.
- Standards of Practice for IBCLC Lactation Consultants is updated and published.
- A joint ILCA/IBLCE Lactation Consultant Profession Task Force meets to develop recommendations for basic knowledge, skills, and behaviors of an IBCLC lactation consultant.
- The Accreditation Task Force meets and proposes the formation of the Lactation Education Accreditation Council as an independent entity.
- The Course Directors Task Force and the Education Committee merge to form the Professional Education Council, with Mary Overfield elected Chair of the new group.
- IBLCE considers offering an alternative certificate that demonstrates competency in the normal/non-complex facilitation of breastfeeding.
- Chris Mulford represents ILCA at discussions of revisions to the Maternity Protection Convention of the International Labor Organization.
- ILCA is represented at the US Breastfeeding Promotion Consortium, European Public Health Alliance, American Public Health Association, the Second International Conference on Global Strategies for the Prevention of HIV Transmission from Mothers to Infants, and the American Dietetic Association.
- ILCA is represented at the Academy of Breastfeeding Medicine meeting in San Diego.
- ILCA's fourteenth Annual Conference, "Breastfeeding in the Next Millennium: The Future of Lactation Consulting," is held in Scottsdale, Arizona, with nearly 800 attendees.
- ILCA has 4500 members.
- The IBLCE exam is administered to 1757 candidates in 117 locations across 25 countries. The exam is offered in Korean for the first time.

1999 ILCA leadership

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- Board South Pacific Delegate – Heather Jackson
- Board International Delegate – Elsa Giugliani
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- Conference Committee – Kathy Chiu (Chair), Mary Rose Tully, Marion Bendixen, Camille Foretich, Dany Gauthier, Janet Kinney, Bonnie Lanternier, Debbie Regan, Carol Osborne, Karen Zeretzke, Cindy Bastian
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- Liaison to US Breastfeeding Committee – Amy Spangler
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- Liaison to World Health Organization – Madeleine Lehman

2000

ILCA publications and international representation continue to expand. For the first time in ILCA's history, a meeting of the board of directors must be cancelled due to the weather.

- ILCA produces Reimbursement Tool Kit with Marsha Walker as editor.
- Position Paper on Infant Feeding is revised and published.
- The American Dietetic Association Practice Group endorses the IBCLC credential.
- IBLCE announces that beginning in 2003 candidates must document completion of courses or background in anatomy and physiology, sociology, psychology or counseling, child development, nutrition, and medical terminology. They must also have completed 45 documented clock hours of lactation education that reflects the exam blueprint.
- ILCA publishes its final printed membership directory before placing the directory on the association website.
- ILCA approves translation of its membership brochure into all languages used by the World Health Organization.
- ILCA publishes The International Board Certified Lactation Consultant: Scope of Practice and Education Guidelines, prepared by members of the Professional Education Council. The information contained in this document forms the basis for developing a core curriculum and clinical competencies in later years.
- The winter board meeting is cancelled due to 20 inches of snow in Raleigh.
- ILCA is represented at the AWHONN annual conference by Molly Pessl and Karen Querna.
- ILCA is represented at the International Meeting on Human Milk Banks by Elisa Giugliani.
- ILCA is represented at a meeting of the US AFL-CIO Working Women by Chris Mulford.
- ILCA is represented at the International Labor Organization by Chris Mulford.
- ILCA is represented at the Academy of Breastfeeding Medicine Meeting by Sallie Page-Goertz.
- ILCA is represented at the Texas (US) Department of Health and Breastfeeding Summit by Myra Lowrie.
- ILCA is represented at the American Public Health Association annual conference by Mary Rose Tully.
- ILCA is represented at the US National Nutrition Summit by Marsha Walker.
- ILCA is represented at NAPNAP by Sallie Page-Goertz.
- ILCA is represented at a Canadian Pediatric Society Meeting by Anne Brooks.
- ILCA is represented at a meeting on the Baby Friendly Hospital Initiative by Madeline Lehmann-Buri.
- ILCA is represented at the World Health Assembly by Madeline Lehmann-Buri.
- ILCA's fifteenth Annual Conference, "Supporting Breastfeeding with Evidence-Based Practice," is held in Washington DC, USA. A "Trip to the Capitol" is organized during the conference to allow U.S. attendees to visit their Congresspersons to discuss national breastfeeding legislation.
- The IBLCE exam is administered to 1862 candidates in 122 locations across 29 countries.

2000 ILCA leadership

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- Board Past President – Bonny Skovbroten
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- Board Vice President of Professional Development – Carol Ryan
- Board Vice President of External Affairs – Elizabeth Hormann
- Board Secretary – Virginia Thorley
- Board Treasurer – Sue Wirth
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- Board Canadian Delegate – Anne Brooks
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- Board European Delegate – Eileen O’Sullivan
- Board South Pacific Delegate – Angela Smith
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- Liaison to US Breastfeeding Committee – Amy Spangler

- Liaison to US Breastfeeding Promotion Consortium – Marsha Walker
- Liaison to US Healthy People 2010 – Marsha Walker
- Liaison to US Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO) – Mary Rose Tully
- Liaison to World Health Organization – Madeleine Lehman

2001

A strong publications department continues its commitment to providing resources with publication of a core curriculum. The text is a collaborative effort among 28 of the profession's leading experts and educators. ILCA focuses efforts on marketing of the IBCLC and of the association.

- ILCA publishes the Core Curriculum for Lactation Consultant Practice with Marsha Walker as editor.
- ILCA publishes Position on Breastfeeding, Breast Milk, and Environmental Contaminants.
- Bids for the website re-design are initiated.
- ILCA contracts with Signature Resources, a marketing firm, to develop a marketing plan for ILCA.
- ILCA is YOU slogan is launched.
- Membership approves bylaws changes to reduce the size of the board and allow voting privileges to non-IBCLC members.
- ILCA compiles a list of clinical experts on breastfeeding as a resource for international and national organizations.
- ILCA launches the ILCA Ambassador program of volunteers who will staff the ILCA exhibit at related meetings to promote the profession and the association.
- The ILCA board begins to explore the feasibility of a US affiliate and names Barbara Wilson-Clay as task force leader.
- Eileen O'Sullivan represents ILCA at the VELB conference in Basel, Switzerland.
- ILCA is represented at the International Labor Organization by Chris Mulford.
- ILCA's sixteenth Annual Conference, "Breastfeeding in the 21st Century: How Policy Can Affect Practice," is held in Acapulco, Mexico.
- The IBCLC exam is administered to 2070 candidates in 141 locations across 31 countries. It is offered in Icelandic and Japanese for the first time.

2001 ILCA leadership:

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- Professional Education Council Chair – Mary Overfield
- Research Committee – Jan Riordan (Chair), JoCarol Chezem, Sarah Gill, Patricia Martens, Jane Heinig, Kerstin Hedberg Nyqvist, Virginia Thorley
- US Affiliate Task Force Leader – Barbara Wilson-Clay
- Website manager – Sue Ann Kendall
- World Breastfeeding Week Coordinator – Doraine Bailey
- Liaison to American Public Health Association – Mary Rose Tully
- Liaison to IBLCE – Amy Spangler
- Liaison to UNICEF – Margot Mann, Kim Block, Carol Smith
- Liaison to United Nations – Kim Block, Carol Smith
- Liaison to US Breastfeeding Committee – Amy Spangler
- Liaison to US Breastfeeding Promotion Consortium – Marsha Walker
- Liaison to US Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO) – Mary Rose Tully
- Liaison to World Health Organization – Madeleine Lehman

2002

ILCA turns concerted attention to marketing the association and enhancing member services. Major improvements occur on the association's website. Regional conferences offer members an opportunity to attend a smaller conference in their locale and to include local speakers on the program.

- New ILCA website is launched with Find a Lactation Consultant directory and Members Only side.
- Position Paper on HIV and Infant Feeding is updated and published.
- The Accreditation Taskforce becomes the International Lactation Education Accreditation Council and investigates the feasibility of operating independently of ILCA or IBLCE.
- The first IBCLC Day is celebrated during World Breastfeeding Week.
- ILCA is represented at the VELB biennial conference by Eileen O'Sullivan.
- ILCA is represented at the UN World Summit on Children NGO panels, Margot Mann, Kim Block, Neomy Mantin.
- ILCA is represented at the WABA Global Forum II, Arusha, Tanzania, Sallie Page-Goertz.
- ILCA is represented at the WABA-UNICEF Colloquium on HIV and Infant Feeding, Arusha, Tanzania by Sallie Page-Goertz and Chris Mulford.
- ILCA is represented at the International Labor Organization by Chris Mulford.
- Regional Conference, Breastfeeding: Clinical Issues in Advanced Practice, is held in Berkeley, California.
- Regional Conference, Breastfeeding 2002: Cutting Edge Clinical Skills, is held in Tarrytown, New York.
- ILCA's seventeenth Annual Conference, "Blueprint for Clinical Excellence," is held in Boca Raton, Florida.
- Japanese Association of Lactation Consultants has 300 members and 27 IBCLCs.
- Total membership is 3818.

2002 ILCA leadership:

- Board President – Maureen Fjeld
- Board President-elect – Nancy Jo Ericksen
- Board Past President – Beverley Rae
- Board Vice President of Professional Development – Carol Ryan
- Board Vice President of External Affairs – Margo Mann
- Board Secretary – Virginia Thorley
- Board Treasurer – Sue Wirth
- Board US Delegate – Jeanette Panchula
- Board Canadian Delegate – Anne Brooks
- Board European Delegate – Eileen O'Sullivan
- Board South Pacific Delegate – Angela Smith
- Executive Director – Cathy Kerr
- Accreditation Task Force/ILEAC – Ellen McIntyre, Carol Ryan, Molly Pessl, Marsha Walker

- Conference Committee – Anne Garrett, Cathy Carothers, Dori Dorfman, Fritz Drost, Patricia Martens, Karen Querna, Peggy Toman, Marsha Walker, Sue Wirth, Karen Zeretzke, Carol Ryan
- Conference Coordinator – Anne Garrett
- ILCA Globe Editor – Beverley Rae
- IBCLC Day Coordinators – Carol Chamblin and Patricia Berg-Drazin
- International Code Committee Chair – Hitesh Bakshi
- Independent Study Module Coordinator – Caroline Brown
- Journal of Human Lactation staff – Jane Heinig (editor), Laurie Nommsen-Rivers, Kara Ishii, Nicole Bernshaw, Nikki Lee, Fotini Hatzopoulos, Mary Rose Tully, JoAnne Scott, Dora Gutierrez
- Marketing Committee Chair – Karen Querna
- Membership Committee Chair – Camile Foretich
- Nominations Committee – Beverley Rae, Becky Mannel, Jan Cornfoot, Hitesh Bakshi
- Professional Education Council Chair – Mary Overfield
- Publications Coordinator – Virginia Thorley
- Research Committee – Patricia Martens (Chair), JoCarol Chezem, Sarah Gill, Jane Heinig, Kerstin Hedberg Nyqvist, Karen Wambach, Becky Mannel
- Third-party Reimbursement Committee Chair – Marsha Walker
- Website Editor – Debi Page Ferrarello
- World Breastfeeding Week Coordinator – Dori Dorfman
- Liaison to American Public Health Association – Mary Rose Tully
- Liaison to Coalition for Improving Maternity Services (CIMS) – Linda Smith
- Liaison to IBLCE – Bonny Skovbrotten
- Liaison to UNICEF – Margot Mann, Kim Block, Carol Smith
- Liaison to United Nations – Kim Block, Carol Smith
- Liaison to United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) – Margot Mann
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- Liaison to US Healthy People 2010 – Mary Rose Tully
- Liaison to US Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO) – Mary Rose Tully
- Liaison to World Health Organization – Madeline Lehmann-Buri

2003

An event long in planning, ILCA takes its annual conference outside North America for the first time and receives rave reviews. Attendance is the highest ever at an ILCA conference. Work continues toward accreditation and ILCA develops Education Standards. Clinical competencies are completed. A detailed three-year strategic plan guides the activities and priorities of the association.

- Clinical Competencies for IBCLC Practice is published as a joint ILCA/IBLCE project.
- ILCA endorses the Global Strategy for Infant and Young Child Feeding and provides free copies to members.
- ILEAC is established as a formal ILCA committee in order to finalize and implement the accreditation process.
- ILCA is represented at the WHO Regional Committee for South East Asia in Jakarta, Indonesia.
- ILCA is represented at the Asia Pacific Conference on Breastfeeding (APCON) in New Delhi, India, by Margot Mann.
- ILCA is represented at the World Forum on Early Care and Education, Acapulco by Roberta Graham de Escobedo.
- ILCA begins representation to the Codex Alimentarius, the global reference point for consumers, food producers and processors, national food control agencies and the international food trade.
- Regional Conference, Lactation Consulting 2003: Clinical Practice and Postpartum Support, is held in Houston, Texas.
- Regional Conference, Lactation Consulting 2003: Clinical Practice and Reimbursement, is held in Denver, Colorado.
- ILCA's eighteenth Annual Conference, "Milk, Mammals & Marsupials: An International Perspective," is held in Sydney, Australia.
- The IBLCE exam is administered to 2094 candidates in 130 locations across 29 countries, and in 9 languages. It is offered in Swedish for the first time.
- IBLCE announces that beginning in 2007 candidates must have completed 4 clock hours of general background education in communication and counseling skills.

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- Board President-elect – Doraine Bailey
- Board Past President – Maureen Fjeld
- Board Director of External Affairs – Margo Mann
- Board Secretary/Treasurer – Rebecca Mannel
- Board Director of Professional Development & Research – Judi Lauwers
- Board Director of Membership & Affiliate Services – Heather Jackson
- Board Director of Marketing – Cathy Carothers
- Board US Delegate – Jeanette Panchula
- Executive Director – Cathy Kerr
- Annual Conference Program Planner – Angela Smith
- Asia ILCA Ambassador – Doris Fok

- Conference Committee – Marjorie Atchan, Jan Brooke, Anne Brooks, Jan Cornfoot, Sue Cox, Melissa Harnett, Audrey Harris, Joy Heads, heather Jackson, Shaughn Leach, Jan Mangleson, Meg Moodie Christa Muller-Aregger, Johanna O’Keefe, Beverley Pownall, Tomoko Seo, Linda Smith, Wendy Turner, Cathy Waller
- ILCA Globe Editor – Beverley Rae
- IBCLC Day Coordinators – Carol Chamblin, Patricia Berg-Drazin
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- Liaison to Codex Alimentarius – Isabelle Coté, Joan Fisher, Elise Chapin, VELB
- Liaison to European Public Health Alliance – Elizabeth Hormann
- Liaison to IBLCE – Bonny Skovbrotten
- Liaison to Maternity Protection Coalition – Chris Mulford
- Liaison to UNICEF – Margot Mann, Kim Block, Carol Smith
- Liaison to United Nations – Margot Mann, Neomy Mantin, Kim Block, Susan Burger, Anne-Marie Kern, Carol Smith
- Liaison to United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) – Margot Mann
- Liaison to US Breastfeeding Committee – Amy Spangler, Carol Ryan
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- Liaison to World Alliance for Breastfeeding Action – Sallie Page-Goertz
- Liaison to World Health Organization – Angela Smith, Madeline Lehmann-Buri

2004

ILCA continues to enhance its website and Internet technology to improve communication, information sharing, and other member services. ILCA's seasoned marketing director guides the formation of a 'family' look to all ILCA publications, increasing ILCA's professional image. Efforts increase to encourage new IBCLCs to become ILCA members. ILCA continues to expand its educational offerings and formalize an education department.

- The ILCA Globe moves from quarterly issues on paper to 12 issues transmitted to members electronically over the Internet. It is renamed ILCA eGlobe.
- Sage-published issues of the journal are available on-line to members.
- New IBCLC's are offered a free three-month on-line trial membership.
- The Course Provider Directory, journal articles, and past issues of the ILCA Globe are available on the ILCA website.
- ILCA On Call is initiated to assist in locating resource people for various projects.
- ILCA's logo and color scheme are updated to achieve a consistent 'family' look.
- A US Affiliate Task Force chaired by Amy Spangler and Marsha Walker reopens exploration into the feasibility of a US affiliate.
- IBCLC Day observance moves to the first Wednesday in March.
- ILEAC pilots the accreditation process.
- ILCA is represented at the WABA Core Partners meeting in Tanzania by Sallie Page-Goertz.
- ILCA is represented at the UNICEF Standing Committee on Nutrition (SCN) meeting and NGO Committee for UNICEF by Susan Burger.
- ILCA is represented at the US HMHB Networking Forum and Annual Meeting by Carol Ryan.
- ILCA is represented at the WABA Global Partners meeting in Costa Rica by Sallie Page-Goertz.
- ILCA is represented at the Taiwan Alliance for Breastfeeding Advocacy in Taipei by Doris Fok.
- A full-time Executive Director is hired.
- Regional Conference, Lactation Management 2004: Clinical Issues and Multidisciplinary Approaches, is held in Kansas City, Missouri.
- ILCA's nineteenth Annual Conference, "Best Practices: Supporting Breastfeeding Worldwide," is held in Scottsdale, Arizona.
- The IBLCE exam is administered to 2163 candidates in 141 locations across 41 countries and territories. The exam is offered in Polish for the first time.

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- Education Coordinator (interim) – Judi Lauwers
- eILCA Globe Editor – Beverley Rae
- IBCLC Day Coordinator – Carol Chamblin
- ILEAC – Ellen McIntyre, Molly Pessl, Marina Green, Gabriel Nindl, Judi Lauwers
- International Code Committee Chair – Maureen Fjeld
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- Marketing Committee Chair – Karen Querna
- Nominations Committee – Maureen Fjeld, Elizabeth Hormann, Karen Koss
- Professional Educators Network Chair – Mary Overfield
- Publications Coordinator – Virginia Thorley
- Research Committee – Karen Wambach (Chair), Sarah Gill, , Jane Heinig, Suzanne Hetzel Campbell, Joan E. Dodgson, Titi Abiona, Jacki Glover
- Website Editor – Debi Page Ferrarello
- World Breastfeeding Week Coordinator – Dori Dorfman
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- Liaison to IBLCE – Bonny Skovbrotten
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- Liaison to UNICEF – Margot Mann
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- Liaison to World Health Organization – Angela Smith

2005

ILCA celebrates the 20th anniversary of the lactation profession with a gala celebration at the annual conference in Chicago, Illinois. A 20-year theme infuses the conference with historical references and amazement at how much has been accomplished in 20 short years. Accreditation is now available to all courses that qualify.

- Professional Development Committee is formed with Mary Overfield as Chair.
- Conference Program Committee is restructured with the Education Coordinator as Chair.
- ILCA puts out call for member help for victims of SE Asian tsunami.
- ILCA accredits the first two courses through ILEAC.
- Summary of the Hazards of Infant Formula Part 3 is published.
- ILCA is represented at the UN Committee on the Status of Women by Margot Mann, Kim Block, Chris Mulford.
- ILCA participates in celebrations of the 15th Anniversary of the Innocenti Declaration.
- ILCA is represented at the WHO Executive Board Meeting by Maryse Lehnert.
- Clinical Guidelines for the Establishment of Exclusive Breastfeeding is published, an update of the Evidence-Based Guidelines for Breastfeeding for the First Fourteen Days.
- JoAnne Scott steps down as Executive Director of IBLCE.
- The IBLCE exam is administered in 7 languages to 2,683 candidates in 135 locations across 32 countries and territories representing 5 continents.
- ILCA's twentieth Annual Conference, "Breaking the Barriers: Research, Policy and Practice," is held in Chicago, Illinois, along with a 20th anniversary celebration.

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- Board President-elect – Rebecca Mannel
- Board Past President – Doraine Bailey
- Board Director of External Affairs – Angela Smith
- Board Secretary – Elizabeth Brooks
- Board Treasurer – Kathy Parkes
- Board Director of Professional Development & Research – Jacki Glover/ Terriann Shell
- Board Director of Membership & Affiliate Services – Heather Jackson
- Board Director of Marketing – Cathy Carothers
- Executive Director – Jim Smith
- Asia ILCA Ambassador – Doris Fok
- 2005 Conference Committee – Judi Lauwers and Anne Garrett (Chairs), Cathy Carothers, Dori Dorfman, Fritzi Drost, Tracey Grady, Joy Heads, Patricia Martens, Karen Querna, Maryann Thurston, Peggy Toman, Marsha Walker, Sue Wirth, Karen Zeretzke
- 2005-2006 Conference Program Committee – Judi Lauwers (Chair), Susan Hatcher, Anne Mercer, Terriann Shell, Cindy Bastian, Anne Garrett, Sue Wirth, Nancy Wight, Joy Heads, Mary Overfield, Karen Wambach, Jacki Glover, Cathy Carothers
- Education Coordinator – Judi Lauwers
- eILCA Globe Editor – Beverley Rae
- ILEAC – Ellen McIntyre, Molly Pessl, Marina Green, Gabriel Nindl, Becky Mannel

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- Marketing Committee Chair – Karen Querna
- Nominations Chair – Doraine Bailey
- Professional Development Committee Chair – Mary Overfield (Chair), Gini Baker, Genevieve Becker, Denise Fisher, Phyllis Kombol, Gabrielle Nindl, Yuet Oi Chee, Tina Smillie, Cindy Turner-Maffei, Sue Cox
- Research Committee – Research Committee – Karen Wambach (Chair), Sarah Gill, , Jane Heinig, Suzanne Hetzel Campbell, Joan E. Dodgson, Titi Abiona, Jacki Glover
- Website Editor – Debi Page Ferrarello
- Liaison to American Academy of Pediatrics Breastfeeding Promotion in Pediatric Office Practices (BPPPOP) Advisory Committee – Nancy Brendt
- Liaison to American Public Health Association – Mary Rose Tully, Anne Merewood
- Liaison to Coalition for Improving Maternity Services (CIMS) – Linda Smith
- Liaison to Codex Alimentarius (Canada) – Isabelle Coté and Joan Fisher
- Liaison to Codex Alimentarius (Europe) – Denise Both
- Liaison to IBLCE – Maureen Fjeld
- Liaison to Maternity Protection Coalition – Chris Mulford
- Liaison to UNICEF – Margot Mann
- Liaison to United Nations – Neomy Mantin, Kim Block, Susan Burger, Chris Mulford, Margot Mann
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- Liaison to US Breastfeeding Promotion Consortium – Marsha Walker
- Liaison to US Healthy Mothers/Healthy Babies – Carol Ryan
- Liaison to US Healthy People 2010 – Marsha Walker
- Liaison to US Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO) – Jan Barger
- Liaison to World Alliance for Breastfeeding Action – Sallie Page-Goertz
- Liaison to World Health Organization – Angela Smith, Maryse Arendt Lehnert, Martha Johnson, Marcia Annandale

2006

Highlights

- United States Lactation Consultant Association forms and becomes the first National Affiliate of ILCA.
- ILCA Speakers' Directory is launched on website.
- ILCA conducts international member survey on topic of proposed second credential by IBLCE.
- Reviews of books and other media are moved from the JHL to the ILCA eGlobe and website.
- Annual conference, “Interdisciplinary Breastfeeding Practice - Integration through Innovation,” is held in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania with 897 in attendance.
- The IBLCE exam is administered in 12 languages to 3,207 candidates in 149 locations across 34 countries and territories representing 5 continents.

2006 ILCA leadership:

- Board President – Rebecca Mannel
- Board Past President – Sue Cox
- Board Director of External Affairs –Angela Smith
- Board Secretary – Elizabeth Brooks
- Board Treasurer – Kathy Parkes
- Board Director of Professional Development & Research – Terriann Shell
- Board Director of Membership & Affiliate Services – Donna Ron
- Board Director of Marketing – Cathy Carothers
- Board Director at Large - Suzanne Campbell
- Executive Director – Jim Smith
- Director of Conferences – Heather Sewell
- Assistant Executive Director – Amber Maxa
- Project Officer – Natalie Porterfield
- Membership and Publications Coordinator – Lisa Joncich
- Education Coordinator – Judi Lauwers
- E-Globe Editor: Beverly Rae/Doraine Bailey
- Journal of Human Lactation staff – Jane Heinig (editor), Laurie Nommsen-Rivers, Donna Chapman, Kara Ishii, Jennifer Banuelos, Nicole Bernshaw, Nikki Lee, Mary Rose Tully, Casey Goldberg, Dora Gutierrez
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- Liaison to Coalition for Improving Maternity Services (CIMS) – Linda Smith
- Liaison to Codex Alimentarius – Denise Both, Isabelle Coté and Joan Fisher
- Liaison to IBLCE – Maureen Fjeld
- Liaison to Maternity Protection Coalition – Chris Mulford
- Liaison to UNICEF Standing Committee on Nutrition - Susan Burger

- United Nations Team– Kim Block, Margot Mann
- Liaison to US Breastfeeding Committee – Molly Pessl, Carol Ryan
- Liaison to US Breastfeeding Promotion Consortium – Marsha Walker
- Liaison to US Healthy Mothers/Healthy Babies – Carol Ryan
- Liaison to US Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO) – Jan Barger
- Liaison to World Alliance for Breastfeeding Action – Sallie Page-Goertz
- Liaison to World Health Organization – Maryse Lehnert Arendt, Martha Johnson, Marcia Annandale

2006 Committees

- Conference Program Committee – Judi Lauwers (Chair), Susan Hatcher, Anne Mercer, Terriann Shell, Cindy Bastian, Anne Garrett, Sue Wirth, Nancy Wight, Joy Heads, Mary Overfield, Karen Wambach, Jacki Glover, Cathy Carothers, Kendall Cox, Robin Frees, Kym Smythe
- International Code Committee – Maureen Fjeld (Chair), Carole Dobrich, Marcia Annamunthodo Allen, Tracey Foster, Jennifer Peddlesden, Marilyn Ann Stollmeyer
- ILEAC – Ellen McIntyre (Chair), Molly Pessl, Marina Green, Gabrielle Nindl, Judi Lauwers, Becky Mannel
- Marketing Committee – Mary Kay Smith (Chair), Dori Monica, Cathy Carothers
- Nominations Committee - Doraine Bailey (Chair), Michele Griswold, Heather Jackson, Linda Smith, Ann Twiggs
- Professional Development Committee – Mary Overfield (Chair), Genevieve Becker, Denise Fisher, Phyllis Kombol, Linda Kutner, Gabrielle Nindl, Yuet Oi Chee, Tina Smillie, Sue Cox, Judi Lauwers
- Publications Coordinator – Virginia Thorley
- Research Committee – Karen Wambach (Chair), Joan E. Dodgson, Titi Abiona, Anne Merewood, Laurie Nommsen-Rivers, Suzanne Hetzel Campbell, Terriann Shell

2006 Task Force

- Third Party Reimbursement – Marsha Walker

2007

Highlights

- By-laws change to allow only IBCLC-members of ILCA to vote and to codify the presidential selection process by the board of directors.
- Marketing workshop held to establish an ILCA/IBCLC Marketing Plan.
- Second edition of the Core Curriculum is published with Rebecca Mannel, Patricia Martens and Marsha Walker as editors.
- Canadian Lactation Consultant Association becomes a national affiliate of ILCA.
- Education Coordinator becomes a full-time staff position.
- Professional Development Committee begins work on a curriculum framework for an academic program in human lactation.
- Official translation policy is established.
- ILCA Sisters Program is renamed ILCA Partners Program to reflect reciprocal intent of communications.
- Inaugural WABA/ILCA Fellowship in Penang, Malaysia awarded to Sue Saunders.
- Annual conference, “Controversies in Lactation,” is held in San Diego, California with 987 in attendance.
- The IBLCE exam is administered in 11 languages to 2,941 candidates in 140 locations across 36 countries and territories representing 5 continents.

2007 ILCA leadership:

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- Board Director of External Affairs –Angela Smith
- Board Secretary – Elizabeth Brooks
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- Liaison to Coalition for Improving Maternity Services (CIMS) – Linda Smith
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- Liaison to Codex Alimentarius (Europe) – Maryse Lehnert-Arendt
- Liaison to IBLCE – Maureen Fjeld
- Liaison to Maternity Protection Coalition – Chris Mulford
- Liaison to UN Standing Committee on Nutrition – Rachelle Lessen
- Liaison to United Nations – Margot Mann, Kim Block, Susan Burger
- Liaison to US Healthy Mothers/Healthy Babies – Carol Ryan
- Liaison to World Alliance for Breastfeeding Action – Sallie Page-Goertz
- Liaison to World Forum for Early Child Care and Education (WoFo) – Christine Choong
- Liaison to World Health Organization – Maryse Lehnert-Arendt, Martha Johnson, Marcia Annandale

2007 Committees

- Conference Program Committee – Susan Hatcher (Chair), Cathy Carothers, Cynthia Bastian, Joy Heads, Mary Overfield, Kym Smythe, Nancy Wight, Annalee Hulburt, Veronica Tingzon, Linda Kutner, Joan Dodgson, Terriann Shell,
- Ethics & International Code Committee – Joy Noel-Weiss (Chair), Carole Dobrich, Deborah van Wyck, Denise Fisher, Jennifer Peddlesden, Marcia Annamunthodo Allen, Marilyn Stollmeyer, Mary Rose Tully, Pamela Morrison, Tracey Foster, Liz Brooks
- Finance Committee – Kathy Parkes, Rhoda Taylor
- International Code Committee – Maureen Fjeld (Chair), Carole Dobrich, Marcia Annamunthodo Allen, Tracey Foster, Jennifer Peddlesden, Marilyn Ann Stollmeyer
- ILEAC – Molly Pessl (Chair), Gini Baker, Marina Green, Michele Griswold, Gabrielle Nindl, Ex-Officio: Judi Lauwers, Suzanne Hetzel Campbell
- Nominations Committee – Sue Cox
- Professional Development Committee – Linda Kutner (Chair), Mary Overfield, Gini Baker, Genevieve Becker, Denise Fisher, Phyllis Kombol, Judi Lauwers, Terriann Shell
- Publications Committee – Virginia Thorley (Chair), Kathy Eng, Catherine Watson Genna, Marsha Glass, Betsy List, Diana West, Linda Wieser, Cathy Carothers, Liz Brooks
- Research Committee – Joan E. Dodgson (Chair), Ilana R. Chertok, Pamela D. Hill, Anne Merewood, Laurie Nommsen-Rivers, Karen Wambach, Suzanne Hetzel Campbell

2007 Task Forces

- Awards and Recognition – Robin Parrish, Barbara Wilson-Clay, Sue Cox
- Ethics – Chair Deborah van Wyck, Karen Koss, Mohammed Ilyas Khan, Joy Noel-Weiss, Liz Brooks
- Scope of Practice – Chair: Jan Barger, Susan Burger, Kathy Leeper, MD, Rachel Myr, Attie Sandink, Crystal Stearns, Virginia Thorley, Marsha Walker, Judi Lauwers, Liz Brooks, Becky Mannel

2008

Highlights

- Policy is established to defer questions on status of exhibitor compliance with the International Code of Marketing of Breast-milk Substitutes to the National Alliance for Breastfeeding Advocacy (NABA).
- ILCA partners with VELB for their 2008 conference in Vienna, Austria.
- ILCA provides a \$12,000 grant to complete the curriculum framework for an academic program in human lactation; grant is awarded to Miriam Labbok.
- Membership Committee forms.
- Liaison position is established for the Baby-Friendly Hospital Initiative.
- Scope of Practice for IBCLCs is published.
- Second WABA Fellowship awarded to Johanna Bergerman.
- Strategic planning meeting is held with representatives from national affiliates and IBLCE.
- Mission statement for the conduct of business is adopted: “As the ILCA Board of Directors, our mission is to operate using a governance culture that is respectful of all members, transparent, honest, considers all sides of an issue, and encourages open deliberation and leadership development.”
- Accreditation and Approval Review Committee (AARC) on Education in Human Lactation and Breastfeeding is approved as a review committee of the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Educational Programs (CAAHEP), a programmatic postsecondary accreditation agency recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA). AARC replaces ILEAC as the approver of lactation programs and begins work on establishing an accreditation process for post-secondary academic programs.
- Establishment of Fellow of the International Lactation Consultant Association (FILCA) – inaugural group of 14 members recognized at conference.
- Annual conference in partnership with USLCA, “Policy, Practice, Professionalism: One Voice, Uniting the Profession,” is held in Las Vegas, Nevada with 810 in attendance.
- The IBLCE exam is administered in 13 languages to 3,323 candidates in 152 locations across 37 countries and territories representing 5 continents.

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- Project Coordinator –Liz Koroly
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- Publications Assistant – Vicki Hobbs
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- Worksite Lactation Support Directory is added to website.
- ILCA management moves to IMI Association Executives.
- CLCA/ACCL becomes second National Affiliate.
- Plans begin for web pages for “Resources for Families” and “Resources for Health Care Providers.”
- Online Continuing Education site is launched.
- ILCA extends CERP-providership program to national affiliates.
- Professional Development Advisory Panel replaces Professional Development Committee.
- Planning begins for reduced-fee “retired” and “student” membership categories.
- Curriculum framework for an academic program in human lactation is posted for public comment and AARC is charged with refining the document for dissemination.
- Annual conference, “Relating Evidence to Practice: An International Perspective,” is held in Orlando, Florida with 634 in attendance.
- The IBLCE exam is administered in 14 languages to 4,017 candidates in 159 locations across 40 countries and territories representing 5 continents.

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Highlights

- ILCA and IBLCE celebrate their 25th anniversaries.
- Lactation Consultants of Australia and New Zealand (LCANZ) national affiliate forms.
- Annual conference, “ILCA at 25: A Lactation Celebration!” is held in San Antonio, Texas along with a 25th anniversary celebration.

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