

Local agency Breastfeeding Coordinators Meeting Summary
January 19, 2024
Teams Meeting
12:30-1:30pm

Time	Topic	Actions/Outcome	Lead
12:30 pm-12:35 pm	Welcome	The meeting started with introductions. One observation- we have a lot of aggregate WIC experience in this group! Welcome to all new members from New Britain and TVCCA!	All
12:35 pm-1:00pm	LAP BF strategies implementation	<p>We reviewed the intent of the duration strategy. DKH, East Hartford and Hartford all shared their recent experiences implementing the new bf-f/up and phone triage policy. Overall, this has been successful with all agencies reporting both scheduled and kept appointments. DKH shared that there is a good collaboration with the peer counselor and one of the visits was a co-counseling appointment so the peer could provide encouragement for the plan. In EH, in Dec there were 23 bf-f/up appointments and of those only 2 decreased their breastfeeding intensity. Harford shared that 3 appts were kept one of which moved from limited to partial/mostly! Amazing. Next meeting we will have other agencies provide updates and discuss how the initiation strategy of strengthening prenatal education through use of Make a Plan tool, will also help duration.</p> <p>Maggie asked about how to conduct TA for the number of "kept" BF/FU appointments. Lauren shared the report in CT-WIC that agencies can use to evaluate the appointments. See attached for more information. In CT-WIC Clinic Module, Under Reports drop down, Scheduling, SCH 7.6, 7.7, 7.10, 7.11- Clinic Appointment List.</p>	All

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1:00pm-1:30pm	Breastfeeding Yielding Matrix and Breastfeeding Coordinator Role, review	<p>Thanks for all the updates for the Matrix. Marilyn provided a brief overview of the number of CLC's in CT compared to a high of close to 90. BF Coordinator Roles guidance update and State agency's plans to add as a local agency position. Question about agencies that have staff in multiple roles- we will be thinking about that, and some exceptions may need to be considered based on size of agency.</p> <p>May in person meeting to be held at the Meriden Library, Room 6. Food is allowed. The room is reserved from 11:30am-4pm.</p> <p>https://www.meridenlibrary.org/reserve-room/multi-purpose-room-6?selected_date=02/12/2024</p> <p>Location and hours are https://www.meridenlibrary.org/about/location-hours</p> <p>105 Miller Street</p> <p>Meriden, CT 06450</p> <p>Phone: 203-630-4730</p>	
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Please plan schedules and budgets accordingly. If we cancel a meeting, please use the scheduled meeting time to work on breastfeeding coordinator related duties. We will have 2 in person meetings in the calendar year 2024.

2024

Friday, February 16 th	12:30-1:30pm	Teams Meeting
Friday, March 15 th	12:30-1:30pm	Teams Meeting
April	NO meeting	
Friday, May 17 th	12:30-3:30pm	In person- Meriden Library, Room 6
Friday, June 14 th	12:30-1:30pm	Teams Meeting-moved to accommodate local agency orientation dates.
Friday, July 19 th	12:30-1:30pm	Teams Meeting
August	NO meeting d/t	National Breastfeeding Month
Friday, September 20 th	12:30-3:30pm	In person- TBD
Friday, October 18 th	12:30-1:30pm	Teams Meeting
Friday November 15 th	12:30-1:30pm	Teams Meeting

Information about WIC Breastfeeding Curriculum training in 2024 was sent in a separate email. Levels 2-4 are 9:00am-12:30pm on Tues/Thurs, Virtual Teams Meeting. Levels 1-4 will be offered in the Spring 2024. Levels 1 and 2 will be offered in the Fall 2024.