# International Board Certified Lactation Consultant® (IBCLC®) Certification

## **IBCLC Examination Eligibility Criteria**



(complete all)

- Health science subjects: via recognised clinical health profession or 14 subject courses, AND
- **Human lactation and breastfeeding:** 95 hours, including 5 hours of education focused on communication skills, within 5 years prior to application, *AND*



- Pathway 1: 1,000 hours in an appropriate supervised setting, OR
- **Pathway 2:** 300 hours of directly supervised lactation-specific clinical practise at an accredited lactation academic programme, *OR*
- Pathway 3: 500 hours in mentorship with an IBCLC pre-verified by IBLCE

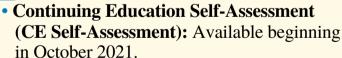
(All clinical hours must be completed within 5 years prior to application)

### **IBCLC Recertification Criteria**

To remain certified, IBCLCs must recertify every 5 years by one of two recertification methods:



#### Recertification by CERPs - OR -



• 75 Continuing Education Recognition
Points (CERPs): Informed by the results of the CE Self-Assessment.



#### **Examination**

• IBCLCs due to recertify in 2022 and beyond still have the *option* to sit the IBCLC examination, but it is no longer a *requirement*.

In addition, all recertifying IBCLCs must complete the following:

# Lactation Consulting Practise

• **250 hours** (education, administration, research, clinical practice, advocacy), *AND* 



#### Basic Life Support Education

• This is included in the 75 CERPs you need to recertify by CERPs.









