



Continuing Education Opportunities for Health Care Professionals

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OF LUNA LACTATION & WELLNESS

The field of lactation is constantly exploding with new research and care strategies. It is paramount that birth and healthcare professionals keep up-to-date with their lactation and infant feeding knowledge so they can best serve the families in their care.

We provide:

- Evidence-based, cutting-edge lactation education for healthcare professionals
- In-person or virtual workshops, conferences, and speaking engagements
- Ongoing educational opportunities and virtual webinars
- Customized in-services, trainings or lectures

Melissa Cole is a board-certified lactation consultant, neonatal oral-motor assessment professional, and clinical herbalist in private practice.

Melissa is passionate about providing comprehensive, holistic lactation support and improving the level of clinical lactation skills for health professionals. She enjoys teaching, researching, and writing about wellness and lactation-related topics. Her bachelor's degree is in maternal/child health and lactation, and her master's degree is in therapeutic herbalism.

Before pursuing her current path, Melissa's background was in education and cultural arts, which has served her well in her work as a lactation consultant and healthcare educator. She loves living, working, and playing in the beautiful Pacific Northwest with her children.



Presentation Topic Areas

- Oral Function and Assessment
- Prenatal and Postpartum Lactation
- Critical Thinking and Clinical Skills
- Herbal Galactagogues
- Tongue and Lip Tie
- Post-Frenectomy Care
- Lactation Tools
- Bodywork
- Lactation After Loss
- Infant Digestive Support
- Milk Production

Past Speaking Engagements

Melissa Cole has presented keynote sessions, full-day seminars, custom programs, and everything in between. Whether you are looking for an in-depth, hands-on clinical workshop or a dynamic keynote presenter, Melissa is honored to help you make your event a success while meeting your learning objectives. Read more about past and current events at: lactspeak.com/melissacole.

- Grand Rounds, Samaritan General Hospital
- Lactation & Breastfeeding Symposium, Kings College Hospital
- Chinese University of Hong Kong
- Lactation Unlocked
- Quebec Lactation Consultants Association
- USLCA Virtual Speaker Series
- American Herbalists Guild
- Mount Sinai Breastfeeding Symposium
- GOLD Tongue Tie Symposium Keynote Speaker
- Canadian Lactation Consultant Association
- International Lactation Consultant Association
- International Birth Assistance Symposium
- BEST Connection Lactation Education Series
- Ligue la Leche of Montreal Symposium
- Infant & Maternal CST Conference
- Oregon Midwifery Council Conference
- International Affiliation of Tongue-tie Professionals

Testimonials

"I've been an IBCLC for 12 years, recently transitioning from hospital to private practice. I've listened to hundreds/thousands of lactation presentations over the years. I just started my Herbal Support course, and I have to complement you Melissa, you have a gift in public speaking. The lessons are well organized, the presentation of the material is excellent, you clearly are prepared and know the data as you elaborate on each slide. Well worth the investment in time and money. Thank you for sharing! In addition, you were probably my favorite presentation in the most recent GOLD Tongue Tie Symposium. You share the facts and tangible tools in a clear, organized and professional platform. Much appreciated. Thanks again for sharing your knowledge!"

"Melissa, I really enjoyed this presentation. You do such a great job of simplifying the complex! I will definitely use a lot of this information with my patients. You have a nice way of putting words to these issues that make so much sense. You are such a great speaker!"

"I just wanted to reiterate that your sessions are simply wonderful. They honor the student, the parents, the baby. I love how you thank the baby throughout each session, letting the baby know that they are in charge and have control over their world when they are working with you. It is such an important model of care. These sessions will positively impact all of the future students who take this course."

"This was a thoroughly enjoyable class! Melissa's deep understanding of the subject matter was impressive. I took five pages of notes on herbs!"

"This was the BEST tongue tie course I have taken...you put the most important info into an hour. I loved how you communicated and stayed on the research side...you are truly a gift!!"

"I love hearing from Melissa and how she ties evidenced based research into her talks with case studies. I appreciate her multifocal and holistic look at solutions to difficult situations."