

# IBLCE Speaker Disclosure & Conflict of Interest Declaration Form

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**Name of Provider:** Lactation Education Resources

**Name of Programme:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Programme Date (s):** \_\_\_\_\_

It is the policy of IBLCE to make the best efforts to ensure balance, independence, objectivity, and scientific rigor in educational activities which are recognised for IBLCE Continuing Education Recognition Points (CERPs). All speakers/presenters participating in any programme recognised for IBLCE CERPs are expected to disclose to the programme audience any affiliations that may have a bearing on the subject matter of their presentation. Such affiliations include, but are not limited to:

- Companies and commercial entities as defined in the IBLCE Minimising Commercial Influence on Education Policy
- Any other persons or entities related to the subject matter of the presentation topic or the general topic of the programme as a whole.

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Examples of a competing interest or affiliation include, but are not limited to:

- *grant/research support;*
- *receipt of honoraria, royalties, consulting fees, travel, or any other financial benefit received from a commercial interest.*
- *acting as a consultant/independent contractor, employee, officer or director, or having a financial interest; participation as part of a speaker's bureau or being a regular contributor to a publication;*
- *having a close friend or family member who is an officer, director, employee, or who has a financial interest; and any other financial or material support.*

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## Speaker's Individual Declaration of Competing Interest or Affiliation

Speakers: Please read the above policy and then provide the following information. Promptly return the completed form to the Preferred Provider.

Speaker Name: Melissa Cole, MS, IBCLC, PMH-C

IBCLC Credential Number (L-#) (if applicable): L-15109

- I have no actual or potential declarations to make in relation to this programme.
- I have a relevant financial relationship, competing interest, or an affiliation that could be perceived as having a bearing on my presentation. I have listed all relevant and current financial, competing interests, or affiliations below.

Competing Interest or Affiliation	Name of Person/Organisation
Author of herbal handbook and database	Self- Luna Lactation

I attest that the information provided above is accurate and complete. I understand that this information will be reviewed by IBLCE and/or the Preferred Provider to assess potential conflicts and to ensure compliance with CERPs recognition standards. I acknowledge that failure to fully disclose or mitigate relevant financial relationships, competing interests, or affiliations may disqualify my eligibility to be a speaker and the course for CERPs recognition.

Signature: Melissa Cole Digitally signed by Melissa Cole  
Date: 2025.08.14 11:13:52 -07'00' Date: 8/14/2025