

Speaker Introductions

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Melissa Cole, MS, IBCLC, PMH-C

Melissa Cole is an internationally board-certified lactation consultant, neonatal oral motor assessment professional, clinical herbalist, and perinatal mental health-certified provider with over two decades of experience.

As the founder of Luna Lactation & Wellness, Melissa provides clinical lactation consultations, mentorship for healthcare professionals, and education worldwide on topics ranging from infant feeding challenges to integrative perinatal care. Her approach bridges tradition and science, empowering families and providers alike with practical tools, clinical insight, and compassionate guidance.

Melissa is an international speaker, researcher, published author, and a mentor to clinicians seeking advanced training in lactation and perinatal health. She is passionate about creating inclusive care spaces that honor the diverse experiences of families.

Before entering clinical practice, Melissa's background was in education, language, and cultural arts while living and studying in Japan. This experience deepened her cross-cultural awareness, communication skills, and creativity—strengths that continue to serve her well in supporting diverse families with sensitivity and care.

Abbreviated Version:

Melissa Cole, MS, IBCLC, PMH-C is an internationally board-certified lactation consultant, neonatal oral motor assessment professional, clinical herbalist, and perinatal mental health-certified provider with over two decades of experience in perinatal care. As the founder of Luna Lactation & Wellness, she provides clinical support, professional mentorship, and education on integrative approaches to lactation, infant feeding challenges, and perinatal health. Melissa is a published author, researcher, and international speaker known for blending evidence-based practice with compassionate and inclusive care.