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**#10-086**

**TO:** WIC Regional Directors  
WIC Local Agency Directors

**FROM:** Linda Brumble, Unit Manager  
Nutrition Education/Clinic Services Unit  
Nutrition Services Section

**DATE:** July 2, 2010

**SUBJECT:** FY 2011 Scholarships for Clinical Lactation Practicum at Austin

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Pending availability of funds, the State Agency will be awarding scholarships to attend the Clinical Lactation Practicum at Austin in FY 2011. WIC staff awarded scholarships will attend the practicum at no cost to the local agency and will be reimbursed for all reasonable travel and hotel expenses.

The Clinical Lactation Practicum (CLP) is focused on increasing the health care professional's knowledge base for identifying a lactation problem and implementing a scientific research-based intervention. The CLP provides an opportunity for direct observation, instruction, and demonstration of breastfeeding support and counseling. Students observe examples of lactation consultation performed by an experienced board-certified lactation consultant, one-to-one in a dynamic clinic setting.

To qualify for a scholarship, WIC staff must have successfully completed *Principles of Lactation Management* and *Lactation Counseling and Problem Solving* training within the last five years or will have completed them prior to attending the CLP. The scholarship recipients will be selected based on: the individual's qualifications, local agency need, geographical proximity to lactation support, etc. Scholarships will be awarded to the individual. WIC staff who have previously completed the CLP are not eligible for another practicum scholarship.

All WIC staff working directly with breastfeeding moms are encouraged to apply for these scholarships, especially staff interested in sitting for the IBLCE exam. Applicants will receive notification via letter to the WIC Director of the scholarship award or wait list status. To apply for a scholarship, complete the application on page 2 and 3 of this memo and fax it to Cristina García at **(512) 341-4473** by COB, **Friday, July 30, 2010**.

If you have questions regarding the scholarship application, please contact Cristina García, Breastfeeding Promotion Nutritionist, at (512)341-4583 or [cristina.garcia@dshs.state.tx.us](mailto:cristina.garcia@dshs.state.tx.us). If you have specific questions regarding the CLP, please contact Maryann Todd-Thompson, Director of Mom's Place at (512) 719-3010.

**FY 2011 Scholarship Application: Clinical Lactation Practicum at Austin**

<b>Name:</b>		<b>Credentials:</b>	
<b>Title</b>			
<b>Local Agency Name:</b>		<b>LA#</b>	
<b>Work Address:</b>			
<b>Work Phone #:</b>	( )		
<b>Work Email:</b>			
<b>Home Address:</b>			
<b>Home Phone #:</b>	( )	<b>Cell Phone #:</b>	( )
<b>Home Email:</b>			

Please indicate the best method of contact – Circle all that apply:    Work/Home                      Email/Phone  
 Do you have regular access to the internet? Circle your response:    Yes    No

<b>Principles of Lactation Management</b>	Date Completed:	Location:
<b>Lactation Counseling and Problem Solving</b>	Date Completed:	Location:
<b>How many other staff at your Local Agency has completed the following?</b>	Principles of Lactation Management : Lactation Counseling and Problem Solving : Clinical Lactation Practicum (CLP) :	
<b>How many hours per week do you work directly (one-to-one) with breastfeeding moms?</b>		
<b>How will your completion of the Clinical Lactation Practicum benefit your local agency?</b>		

### FY 2011 Scholarship Application: Clinical Lactation Practicum at Austin

The Clinical Lactation Practicum scholarships will be offered on the dates listed below. Each rotation will be held in Austin based out of Mom's Place. Days begin at 9:00 am on Wednesday and end at 12:00 pm on Friday. Mark four dates you would be available to attend with a 1, 2, 3, 4 according to your preference to attend. You *must* be available to attend all dates marked.

**1 = 1<sup>st</sup> choice 2 = 2<sup>nd</sup> choice 3 = 3<sup>rd</sup> choice 4 = 4<sup>th</sup> choice**

	<b>October 20 – 22, 2010</b>		<b>March 30 –April 1, 2011</b>
	<b>October 27 – 29, 2010</b>		<b>April 20 – 22, 2011</b>
	<b>January 19 – 20, 2011</b>		<b>May 4 – 6, 2011</b>
	<b>January 26 – 28, 2011</b>		<b>May 18 – 20, 2011</b>
	<b>February 16 – 18, 2011</b>		<b>August 24 – 26, 2011</b>
	<b>February 23 – 25, 2011</b>		<b>September 7 – 9, 2011</b>
	<b>March 23 – 26, 2011</b>		<b>September 21 – 23, 2011</b>

Applicants must coordinate with their WIC Directors/breastfeeding coordinators/supervisors to ensure clinic coverage while attending the CLP at Austin. By signing below, you are submitting your application to be considered for a scholarship to the Clinical Lactation Practicum at Austin.

Applicant Signature:

**REMINDER:** Fax your completed application on page 2 and 3 to:

**Cristina García, Breastfeeding Promotion Nutritionist, at (512) 341-4473**

**no later than close of business (COB) Friday, July 30, 2010.**