

# Strategic Plan

July I, 2025 - June 30, 2026

## ABOUT THE NEBRASKA BREASTFEEDING COALITION

> Our Mission - Advancing the health of Nebraskans by making breastfeeding the norm through education, advocacy, and collaboration.

> Our Vision - A Nebraska where every family is supported to breastfeed through a strong, statewide network of advocates and lactation providers delivering quality, effective care - creating informed communities, equitable access, and a culture that values human milk.

# **GOALS & OBJECTIVES**

# **Awareness & Education**

Build awareness among lactation providers and promote membership through continuing education and networking.

- Increase membership by 35%, from 182 to 242.
- Host 4 quarterly member meetings annually.
- Offer continuing education (CERPs) before each quarterly meeting.
- Issue I2 monthly newsletters and I2 dedicated emails annually.
- Publish IOO educational social media posts annually.

#### **Connection & Collaboration**

Strengthen partnerships with organizations and businesses supporting breastfeeding and maternal-child health.

- Develop and sustain a network of organizational partners.
- Recognize at least IO breastfeeding-friendly businesses annually.
- Collaborate with Nebraska DHHS to enhance statewide breastfeeding support.

### Advocacy

Promote breastfeeding-friendly policies at local, state, and national levels.

- Provide monthly legislative and policy updates during Nebraska's legislative session.
- Act as a resource and advocate on breastfeeding policy issues at all government levels.
- Apply for National Breastfeeding Month proclamation through the Nebraska Governor's Office each August.

#### **Impact**

Increase visibility and access to qualified lactation providers.

- Expand the NE BFC online provider directory by 50%, from IO4 to I56.
- Partner with relevant statewide organizations and Nebraska hospitals to establish a "Top Five Breastfeeding-Friendly" recognition program.

## **Representation & Inclusion**

Ensure that our membership, leadership, and workforce reflect Nebraska's diversity.

- · Maintain a membership and leadership with racial and rural representation that mirrors the population of Nebraska.
- Mentor at least IO aspiring IBCLC candidates, focusing on candidates of color and rural communities.

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