



Academy of Breastfeeding Medicine Newsletter

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A newsletter offering for Academy of Breastfeeding Medicine members and colleagues from across the world.

Welcome to Inside ABM!

Welcome to ISSUE 29 of Inside ABM!

Here's a preview of what ABM members are reading in this month's issue of Inside ABM. Each issue brings you expert insights, clinical resources, and exclusive content to keep you informed and ahead in the field of breastfeeding medicine. To access the full newsletter and all the benefits of membership, [join ABM today](#).

In the Northern Hemisphere, where this author resides, SCHOOL HAS STARTED! This always puts me in the mood to study and learn right along with the students that I see walking and riding bikes to school.

In the spirit of BACK TO SCHOOL, we will be highlighting our upcoming [30th Annual International Conference](#), which is coming soon! We will also dive deeper into a new United States report that provides the much-needed framework for advancing breastfeeding support in the US. Let the bell ring!



Spotlight on the ABM 30th Annual International Conference

The Academy of Breastfeeding Medicine will host its [30th Annual International Conference](#) this year. As we are all navigating many travel obstacles, this year's meeting will be fully virtual so that it is accessible to ALL.

Did you know....?

- The first ABM Conference was held October 11-13, 1996, in Rochester, New York, United States.
- There have been 29 total conferences, including 28 in-person and 1 virtual.
- Thousands of attendees have benefited from the unmatched programming!

To gain deeper insight into the unique opportunities afforded by our upcoming conference, we reached out to Marnie Rowan, FRACGP MBBS, the ABM 2024-2025 Conference Chair.

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Register Now to Be Part of ABM's Global Breastfeeding Experience

The [ABM 30th Annual International Meeting](#) is your chance to connect with the world of breastfeeding medicine! Join us from November 14-16, 2025, for a fully virtual, globally inclusive event. With two time-zone tracks (EST and AEDT), you can join live from anywhere or [host a watch party](#) with your team.

Start early with [preconference sessions](#) designed for deeper clinical learning, then dive into three days of cutting-edge education, networking, and discussion. One highlight you won't want to miss is "Interpreting and Applying the WHO International Code of Marketing Breastmilk Substitutes," a session that fulfills the 2-hour WHO Code education requirement for IBLCE recertification.

Don't miss this opportunity to learn from leading experts, share ideas, and strengthen your practice in maternal and child health.

Early Bird savings end September 29—[register now to save up to \\$100!](#)

[Register Now](#)



Bring the Global Breastfeeding Experience to Your Local Community!

Want to make the ABM 30th Annual International Meeting a shared, in-person experience for your organization, hospital team, or regional colleagues? [Host an ABM Watch Party!](#) This is a great way to gather locally while participating in this global virtual conference. Plus, when you gather 5 registered participants, you'll each get 5% off your registration. Watch Party hosts will benefit from additional savings on the registration fee!

Want to see where Watch Parties are already happening? [Find a location near you](#), or [get the details you need to host your own](#).

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Grand Rounds

WEBINAR
Series



Register for the ABM Grand Rounds 2025 Series

The [2025 Grand Rounds Webinar series](#) is your all-access pass to expert insights in breastfeeding and lactation medicine!

Join us each month for on-demand webinars addressing key topics in breastfeeding care, including:

- Maternal Obesity and Growth Trajectories
- Prenatal Breastfeeding Promotion
- HIV and Breastfeeding
- Tongue-tie
- NEC
- And more!

[Sign up now to get access for the entire year.](#)

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Have You Seen This?

[Breastfeeding in the United States: Strategies to Support Families and Achieve National Goals](#)

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Reader, let's continue our "Back to School" journey! Does anyone remember the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) Breastfeeding Report Card? This comprehensive data report was released every two years from 2014 to 2022. Many US Breastfeeding and Lactation providers used the data trends to educate, galvanize, and track progress. With the recent changes in US government leadership, this report has been unfortunately discontinued. The biannual breastfeeding data collected through vaccine surveys and the US mPINC™ (Maternity Practice in Infant Nutrition and Care) report is to become but a page in other comprehensive reports on childhood nutrition. [Join ABM to read more.](#)

Thank you for previewing this month's Inside ABM!

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