

Ten Steps to Breastfeeding-Friendly Child Care Centers

- Step 1:** Designate an individual or group who is responsible for development and implementation of the 10 steps.
- Step 2:** Establish a supportive breastfeeding policy and require all staff be aware of and follow the policy.
- Step 3:** Establish a supportive worksite policy for staff members who are breastfeeding.
- Step 4:** Train all staff so that they are able to carry out breastfeeding promotion and support activities.
- Step 5:** Create a culturally appropriate breastfeeding friendly environment.
- Step 6:** Inform expectant and new families and visitors about your center's breastfeeding friendly policies.
- Step 7:** Stimulate participatory learning experiences with the children, related to breastfeeding.
- Step 8:** Provide a comfortable place for mothers to breastfeed or pump their milk in privacy, if desired. Educate families and staff that a mother may breastfeed her child wherever they have a legal right to be.
- Step 9:** Establish and maintain connections with local breastfeeding coalition or community breastfeeding resources.
- Step 10:** Maintain an updated resource file of community breastfeeding services and resources kept in an accessible area for families.

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