Lactation Reimbursement

A Rural Health Clinic Story

Lakewood Health System

- Located in Staples, MN
- 25 bed critical access hospital
- Satellite clinics in Pillager, Browerville, Motley, and Eagle Bend
- Approximately 500 births a year
Why Did We Need an IBCLC?

• Differences between nurses, CLCs, and an IBCLC
• The Nursing Point of View
• The Provider Point of View

The Reimbursement Conundrum

• Rural Health guidelines
• What we tried
• Why were increasing hours important?
• What succeeded
Questions?