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In-home Lactation Consultation Services

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4.239 In-home Lactation Consultation Services (01/01/2020, GCR 19-058)

4.239.1 Definitions

For the purposes of this rule, the term:

- (a) **“Lactation Consultant”** means a healthcare provider who specializes in the clinical management of breastfeeding.
- (b) **“International Board Certified Lactation Consultant”** or **“IBCLC”** means a lactation consultant who is certified by the International Board of Lactation Consultant Examiners.
- (c) **“Lactation Consultation Services”** means evaluation, education and counseling of a mother and infant’s overall breastfeeding readiness, proper breastfeeding techniques, proper use of a breast pump, and other necessary information and assistance to enhance breastfeeding.

4.239.2 Covered Services

Lactation consultation services provided in the home are covered.

4.239.3 Qualified Providers

In-home lactation consultation services must be provided by an IBCLC, who is licensed, working within the scope of his or her practice, and is enrolled in Vermont Medicaid.

4.239.4 Lactation Consultation Services in other locations

Lactation consultation services provided in a facility or office setting are not subject to this rule.