

Joining the Coalition

Yes! I want to join the Pennsylvania Breastfeeding Coalition!

Annual membership dues (July 1st-June 30th):

_____ \$20 Individual Active Member

_____ \$20 Organization Active Member

_____ \$20 Supporting Member

Contributions (tax deductible):

_____ \$10 _____ \$25 _____ \$50

_____ \$100 _____ Other

The mission of the Coalition is to facilitate community and statewide efforts to protect, support and promote breastfeeding as the cultural norm across the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

By signing below, I agree to uphold the mission of the Coalition and participate in its activities.

Signature: _____

Name (print): _____

Credentials: _____

Organization: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: (_____) _____ - _____

Work Phone: (_____) _____ - _____

Fax: (_____) _____ - _____

Email: _____

Please make checks payable and mail to:

Pennsylvania Breastfeeding Coalition
PO Box 4
Hannastown, PA 15635

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Quarterly Meetings

We cordially invite any individuals dedicated to our mission to attend our quarterly meetings, which are held at various sites around the state. Meeting information (date, time, location, and driving directions) is available at:

www.pabreastfeeding.org

Minutes from previous meetings are available at:

www.pabreastfeeding.org/meeting_highlights.html



Membership Guidelines

Before applying for membership, please review our membership bylaws. These can be obtained at any of the quarterly meetings or can be found at:

www.pabreastfeeding.org/membership.html

Please note that all members must sign a declaration of support for the Coalition mission statement.

Other web resources:

Please see our main web page for additional resources such as:

- Breastfeeding guidelines and policies
- Sources for continuing education
- Suggested reading lists
- Listings for local and regional conferences
- A regional speaker's list for breastfeeding presentations

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Protecting, supporting, and promoting breastfeeding in the Commonwealth



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Established in 1992, the mission of the Coalition is to facilitate community and statewide efforts to protect, support and promote breastfeeding as the cultural norm across the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

What is the Pennsylvania Breastfeeding Coalition (PABC)?

The PABC is a group of individuals and organizations who share a common goal of protecting, promoting, and supporting breastfeeding in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Our members include health professionals from hospitals, clinics, state-level public health departments, and universities, as well as concerned parents and citizens, and volunteers from community organizations such as La Leche League. All members contribute time, energy, and expertise to activities that support and promote breastfeeding within and outside of the Commonwealth.



What does the PABC do?

The PABC engages in activities such as:

- Developing model breastfeeding policies for hospitals
- Providing educational opportunities for health professionals
- Securing an annual proclamation in support of breastfeeding from the Governor
- Publicizing legislative activities that affect breastfeeding
- Reviewing hospital practices and procedures that impact breastfeeding
- Working collaboratively with the US Breastfeeding Committee

Benefits of Membership

PABC members believe that community and professional support of the breastfeeding family increases the success of breastfeeding.

To that end, the Coalition works together to:

- Share resources, patient education materials, documents, and public health materials that promote and support breastfeeding
- Improve collaboration within the Commonwealth by networking and connecting
- Share the latest research on the art and science of breastfeeding
- Develop research-based recommendations and policies for hospitals, clinics, and government
- Share knowledge and skills to improve patient care and create institutional and cultural change



Please join us in our efforts to make breastfeeding the cultural norm in Pennsylvania!