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Breastfeeding Buzz



The Diaper Bank of the Delta

The Diaper Bank of the Delta began operating as the Coahoma County Diaper Bank in February 2016 as the result of community meeting in Clarksdale, MS which resulted in the collection of \$2,000 and three truckloads of baby related products. According to founder, Chelsea Presley, the nonprofit organization did not realize there was a national movement to form such organizations to meet such needs, but in June 2016 it became the first and only nationally recognized diaper bank in Mississippi. In 2018, the 501 (c) organization began to partner with other agencies and changed its name to its current name of the Diaper Bank of the Delta. One in three families in the Delta is living in poverty. The Diaper Bank of the Delta provides diapers and wipes along with many other items and services including formula, gently used baby toys and clothes, feminine hygiene products, assists with early literacy, breastfeeding information. Safe Kids Car Seats Fit Stations, as well as prenatal and parenting information. Presley explained the organization is comprised of four components: (1) Direct service to the Clarksdale area three days per week, (2) Partner agencies throughout the state, (3) Diaper Bank in the Mail that ships diapers to those in need if no partnering agency exists in her area, and (4) Diaper Bank on the Move that travels throughout the state distributing to those not otherwise served. The Diaper Bank of the Delta has partner organizations so that diapers and other supplies are distributed in many places throughout Mississippi as well as across state lines so that the Delta areas in Louisiana and Arkansas are also included. Some of the organizations in these partnerships include: Magnolia Medical Foundation, Caiden's Christian Academy, Galloway United Methodist Church, two immigrant organizations in Jackson, Mom.ME, as well as the Mississippi Breastfeeding Coalition. Erica Q. Thompson MO, MPH, CDFS is recognized for leading the Magnolia Medical Foundation's diaper bank in the Jackson, MS metro area. For more informat

Free Education

May 1

9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.& 3:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. GOLD Lactation Online Conference Closing Keynote Presentation: An Ecosystemic Approach to the Clinical Management of Breast and Nipple Pain. Register at

https://www.goldlactation.com/conference/speakers/closing-keynote-presentation

May 9

2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. IEBFC Monthly Check-In: Register at

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/monthly-check-in-tickets-492773447647

May 10

1:00 p.m. – 2:15 p.m. USBC Webinar: Philanthropy with an Equity Lens.

Register at https://web.usbreastfeeding.org/events/Philanthropy-with-an-Equity-Lens-4012064/details

May 16

Available on Demand. Great Lakes Breastfeeding Webinar: Community Based

Breastfeeding Support from an Equity Lens. Register at https://mibreastfeeding.org/webinars/

May 17

1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Medela Webinar: Disparities Seen in Breastfeeding. Register at https://www.medela.us/mbus/for-professionals/Education/Programs/Detail/853

May 21

7:00 p.m. – 8:15 p.m. IABLE Clinic Case Discussion Webinar: Counseling the Pregnant Person with a History of Recurrent Mastitis. Register at https://lacted.org/shop/case202305/

May 23

2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. IEBFC May General Education Session: 5 Things Breastfed Babies Want You To Know About Tongue Ties. Register at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/may-general-education-session-tickets-518311302057



Breastfeeding Support

WIC's Breastfeeding Program 601-981-2304 Mississippi Lactation Services, Dr. Christina Glick, M.D. 601-932-6455

The Infant Risk Center 806 352-2519 Dr. Thomas Hale's helpline for medications information

Merit Health Woman's Hospital Lactation Center 601-933-6180 or 601-933-6493

Breastfeeding Classes

 Peer counselors are available to provide individual breastfeeding classes at all WIC clinics

