



JOINT STATEMENT REGARDING THE 2014 LACTATION SUMMIT

An historic day occurred on July 27, 2014 when the International Board of Lactation Consultant Examiners (IBLCE), International Lactation Consultant Association (ILCA), and Lactation Education Accreditation and Approval Review Committee (LEAARC) joined together to host the 2014 Lactation Summit, *Addressing Inequities Within the Lactation Profession*, in Phoenix, Arizona.

We are profoundly grateful to those who came from around the world speaking in support of the underrepresented voices by courageously sharing their own truths. We also recognize the organizations and individuals who came to hear and honor these stories, and appreciate the respect and professionalism shown. This Summit was an important first step, and there is more to hear, to learn, and to do.

We are deeply committed to continuing this conversation and dismantling the barriers that prevent access to the IBCLC profession worldwide as we work together for equitable solutions. We call on all of our constituents and partners to join us in this important work.

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