



Health Center Association
OF NEBRASKA

CHILDBIRTH EDUCATION CERTIFICATION REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM

Strengthen Your Health Center's Maternal Health Services



OVERVIEW

Is your health center ready to expand support for expectant parents? HCAN is offering a **\$1,200 reimbursement** for health center staff to cover the cost of enrollment in an approved **Childbirth Education (CBE) Certification Course**.

Business Case: Why have a CBE-certified employee?

- Allows your health center to offer childbirth education classes to your patients. Some health centers charge a fee or suggested donation for attending classes, usually between \$10-50.
- Recruit patients to complete their prenatal care at your health center or to select your health center for their newborn's pediatric care. These are both populations that are very likely to have insurance.
- Retain high-performing employees by investing in their growth at minimal cost to your team.

WHY PARTICIPATE?

Investing in childbirth education certification for health center staff strengthens prenatal care by empowering patients with knowledge, confidence, and informed decision-making. Certified educators can reduce anxiety around birth, increase patient satisfaction, and improve birth outcomes, helping to lower rates of unnecessary interventions and complications.

Certified childbirth educators play a vital role in improving maternal and infant outcomes by:

- Equipping families with knowledge and confidence
- Reducing birth-related fear and anxiety
- Supporting informed decision-making during pregnancy and birth
- Enhancing cultural and community-specific birth education options

This program helps health centers invest in building staff capacity to meet the needs of pregnant patients and their families.

WHO SHOULD PARTICIPATE

This opportunity is ideal for:

- Health educators
- Nurses
- Care coordinators working with prenatal populations
- Any staff member with a passion for maternal health and education

Help families feel
empowered and
informed. Invest
in childbirth
education today!



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PROGRAM DETAILS

- **Reimbursement Amount:** Up to **\$1,200** per participant
- **Covers:** Tuition/fees/books for approved certification programs
- **Eligibility:** Staff employed by a participating health center
- **Limited spots available – apply early!**

Course	Website	Cost	Average Length of Course	Requirements
International Childbirth Education Association	https://icea.org/get-certified/childbirth-educator-icce/	\$1,140	260 days to complete online course, no deadline for exam	Workshop, Study Guides/Readings, Exam, Observe 1 class & 3 births, 6hrs evaluated teaching
CAPPA	https://cappa.net/training-certification/certified-childbirth-educator-ccce/#traditional	\$790-\$940 + books	Self-paced (must be completed within 2 years)	Workshop, Modules/Readings, Exam, Observe 2 labors/births, 30 minutes of student teaching
Lamaze	https://lamaze.org/Certification/About-LCCE-Certification	\$1,225	~12 months	Learning Modules, In-Person or Virtual 3-day Seminar, Exam

Applications will be accepted starting **Monday, August 11th through Wednesday, December 31st** or until all funding has been allocated. Notification of award will be made within two [2] weeks of the initial application submission.

INTERESTED IN APPLYING? [CLICK HERE!](#)

Please complete and submit this form to apply for the Childbirth Education Certification Reimbursement. A Health Center Lead must approve your application. Questions? Contact Samantha at sdw@hcanebraska.org.