



CHILDBIRTH EDUCATOR TRAINING PROGRAM

APPLICATION PACKET

Thank you for your interest in the BACE Childbirth Educator Training Program. Please be sure to read the detailed description of the course, additional requirements for BACE Certification (optional), and review the schedule before submitting your application. It is important that all applicants understand that successfully completing the BACE Childbirth Educator Training Program will involve a solid commitment of time and effort, as would any other career choice. If we can be of any assistance in helping you make this important decision, please feel free to contact us at bacenmc@gmail.com or 617-244-5102.

In order to successfully complete the training program trainees must:

- Attend all sessions (there will be an additional fee for make-up sessions)
- Complete all learning assessments and homework assignments
- Complete all reading assignments
- Give two topic presentations during classroom time
- Receive positive evaluations from instructors
- Observe a 12+ hour childbirth education class
- Submit a 12+ hour childbirth education course curriculum approved by the BACE training team.
- Teach a childbirth class trial series with a preapproved observer.

NOTE: Additional requirements for those who wish to become BACE Certified Childbirth Educators can be found on the training program webpage.

Packet includes:

- Application to the BACE Childbirth Educator Training Program
- Two copies of the Recommendation Form



Application for BACE Childbirth Educator Training Program

Date:

Candidate's name:

Street Address:

City: State: Zip:

Home phone: Cell phone:

Email address:

Best way/time to reach you:

Please inform us promptly if the information above changes

Please develop a packet with the following documentation and information.

The professionalism of the packet you submit is also taken into consideration for acceptance, as it shows us how you might present yourself to future students in your childbirth classes.

1. Your resume, if you have one. If not, please create one and include the following information:

Work History: Start with most recent position and work backwards in time.

Provide the...

- Name of the agency/company/organization
- Position you held
- Services you provided/duties
- Start date and end date
- If the position was a volunteer (unpaid) position, please state that fact.

Education: Start with the most recent training/education and work backwards in time.

Provide the...

- Name of school of training provider/agency/organization
- Location of school or training provider/agency/organization
- Degree or training received
- Start and end dates
- Indicated whether you received a diploma or certificate.

2. Please answer the following questions on a separate page:

- Why do you want to become a childbirth educator?
- Are there any important events in your life that inspired you to become a childbirth

educator?

- In what setting do you see yourself teaching childbirth education classes?
- In what language(s) do you intend to teach?
- What is your experience with birth, breastfeeding, newborns and parenting?
- What do you enjoy doing outside your work? Help us get to know you and your interests.
- How did you hear about BACE and its training and certification programs?

I certify that I have answered all questions truthfully and to the best of my ability.

Name:

Signature: _____

Date:

You may scan and email your application and any supporting documents to bacenmc@gmail.com or mail them with the \$55 application fee to:

***BACE-NMC, 69 Court St.
Newton, MA 02458***

***If you prefer to pay the application fee by credit card,
please request a PayPal invoice.***



Candidate Recommendations: Information for Candidates

To the candidate: You must submit **two** recommendations from individuals who know you well enough to evaluate your potential as a childbirth educator.

Recommendations must be from:

- Individuals with whom you have worked, to whom you have provided services (can be volunteer work), or a professor or instructor from an academic or training institution from which you obtained a diploma or degree.
- At least one recommendation must be from someone working in maternal and child health related services.
- We **do not** accept recommendations from family members.

Be sure to fill in your contact information on both recommendation forms and provide each evaluator with a stamped envelope addressed to:

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Or, feel free to have completed and signed recommendations scanned and emailed directly to bacenmc@gmail.com



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The BACE program is a comprehensive training program designed to prepare qualified candidates to become effective independent childbirth educators committed to support childbearing families towards the goal of informed choice.

Becoming a competent childbirth educator requires a firm commitment from the candidate. As you recommend this candidate, please consider the following: They will be expected to attend regular weeknight seminars during a period of 2-3 months. They will be speaking in front of an audience and be expected to impart information in a dynamic and engaging manner. The course offers mentorship and one-on-one support. Qualified candidates for whom English is their second language are encouraged to apply.

Candidate's name:

Address:

Daytime phone: Evening phone:

Email address:

1. How and in what capacity do you know this applicant?

2. How long have you known the applicant?

3. Please rate the candidate in each of these areas, using a scale of 1-5, with 1 as your lowest recommendation and 5 as your highest. If you are completing the form electronically, click on the "1" for each question to see a drop down menu of choices, otherwise write in your rating or "not sure".

How well do you think this candidate is able to handle the rigors of a demanding, semester long course, with homework assignments, oral presentations, and written exams?

1 Comment:

How interested do you think this candidate is in teaching childbearing women about their health, their ability to give birth, and breastfeed their children?

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How comfortable do you think this candidate would be to stand in front of a small or large group of peers and effectively teach a topic they know well?

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How capable is this candidate of thinking and acting creatively?

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How flexible is this candidate's schedule and availability?

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How knowledgeable is this candidate in matters that relate to:

Pregnancy:

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Labor and birth:

1 Comment:

Newborns:

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Breastfeeding:

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Postpartum adjustments:

1 Comment:

Community services and resources:

1 Comment:

How well is this candidate able to read books in English?

1 Comment:

How organized is the candidate?

1 Comment:

How reliable is this candidate?

1 Comment:

4. Considering all you know about this candidate, do you recommend them for admission to the BACE- Childbirth Educator Training Program? Why or why not?

5. Please share with us any other important or relevant comments:

Your full name:

Organization you represent:

Address:

Daytime phone number:

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Signature: _____ Date :

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