

Insurance Coverage and Fees for Consultation Care at MilkWorks

If you have a breastfeeding concern, we encourage you to schedule an appointment for a consultation with one of our **International Board-Certified Lactation Consultants (IBCLCs)** OR our **Breastfeeding Medicine Specialist, Dr. Kathy Leeper**.

An Initial appointment lasts approximately 60-90 minutes. All medical supplies used during a consult, including (when indicated) the short-term use of a Medical Need (Hospital Grade) rental pump, are included as part of your consultation. Follow-up appointments last approximately 45-60 minutes. Drop in or scheduled weight checks and phone calls may also be part of your care. We encourage you to be seen until your baby is feeding well and you are comfortable with breastfeeding.

If you are seen for a consultation with one of our IBCLCs:

- **Private Insurance** plans are required to provide breastfeeding help under Women's Preventive Services. We encourage you to contact YOUR insurance plan to verify coverage. (*Coverage is for a mother, not a baby.*) As a preventive service, breastfeeding support should not be subject to a deductible or a co-pay. **If your insurance plan covers breastfeeding help and we are an in-network provider for your plan, we will file directly with your plan (preventive procedure code 99404).** While we are not able to guarantee coverage of our services by your insurance plan, if you do not have coverage, we can offer you an **Out-of-Pocket** discounted consultation fee (*see information below under NO Insurance Coverage.*), OR, if your baby has Nebraska Medicaid insurance, we will file with your baby's Medicaid plan.
- **Nebraska Medicaid Insurance** covers lactation counseling services for **Nebraska Medicaid eligible infants**. There is a limit of five counseling sessions. We encourage you to seek a consultation when your baby is less than 4 weeks old, as demand may limit availability of services.

If you are seen for a consultation with Dr. Kathy Leeper, our Breastfeeding Medicine Specialist:

- Dr. Leeper is in-network with **all major private insurance plans** and **all Nebraska Medicaid plans**. (*Coverage may be for a mother or a baby.*) We recommend that you contact your insurance company to verify coverage of Dr. Leeper's services. Provide her full name: Kathryn Leeper, MD, and her NPI# 1770564759. You may reference the following procedure codes: 99205, 99215, and 99404 (which is a preventive code). If Dr. Leeper is not a participating or in-network provider, your insurance plan may cover only a portion of Dr. Leeper's fee, or her fee may be applied to your deductible.

If you have NO Insurance Coverage and you are seen by an IBCLC or by Dr. Leeper:

- If you do NOT have any insurance, or your insurance plan does NOT cover breastfeeding help, we provide an **Out-of-Pocket**, discounted consultation fee of \$125 for your initial appointment, \$75 for your 1st follow up, \$50 for your 2nd follow up and \$25 for your 3rd follow up. We do not file for insurance reimbursement under this option, and we will ask for payment at the time of each appointment. **Please note:** if your baby has Nebraska Medicaid Insurance, we will file with your baby's Medicaid plan.

Our goal is to help you breastfeed your baby. We do not want financial concerns to keep you from obtaining the help that you need. Please feel free to discuss fees with our front desk staff at any time.