



**The Rhode Island Breastfeeding Coalition (RIBC)** is a coalition of community organizations working to protect, promote, and support breastfeeding in Rhode Island. The coalition primarily focuses on increasing breastfeeding knowledge and awareness among breastfeeding families and health care professionals, building community partnerships, and developing community resources.

RIBC meets monthly and shares information through an online group. You may subscribe to the RIBC Yahoo! Group by contacting Erin Dugan at (401) 741-5283 or [erindugan@cox.net](mailto:erindugan@cox.net). Members of the RIBC Yahoo! Group may send shared message and announcements to the group by emailing [ribreastfeedingcoalition@yahoogleroups.com](mailto:ribreastfeedingcoalition@yahoogleroups.com)

**Note that evening meetings will take place in February, June, and October at an alternate location to allow other members to participate. Meetings are typically held on the last Wednesday of the month, but the last three meetings of 2012 will take place on the first Wednesday of the last three calendar months to avoid conflicts with holidays. There will be no September meeting.**

### **2012 Meetings\***

\*Lunch is available for purchase next door to the Beck Conference Room at the Department of Health and directly across from the Hall of Fame Room at the New England Institute of Technology. Lunch and break snacks will be provided at the March 28 conference at Women & Infants.

Wednesday, January 25	12:15 to 1:45 pm	Beck Conference Room, DOH Basement
Wednesday, February 29	4:30 to 6:00 pm	Hall of Fame Room (N103), NEIT
Wednesday, March 28**	8:00 am to 4:30 pm	South Pavillion Auditoriums, W&I
Wednesday, April 25	12:15 to 1:45 pm	Beck Conference Room, DOH Basement
Wednesday, May 30	12:15 to 1:45 pm	Beck Conference Room, DOH Basement
Wednesday, June 27	4:30 to 6:00 pm	Hall of Fame Room (N103), NEIT
Wednesday, July 25	12:15 to 1:45 pm	Beck Conference Room, DOH Basement
Wednesday, August 29	12:15 to 1:45 pm	Beck Conference Room, DOH Basement
Wednesday, October 3	4:30 to 6:00 pm	Hall of Fame Room (N103), NEIT
Wednesday, November 7	12:15 to 1:45 pm	Beck Conference Room, DOH Basement
Wednesday, December 5	12:15 to 1:45 pm	Beck Conference Room, DOH Basement

\*\*Rhode Island Breastfeeding Coalition Conference scheduled in place of the monthly meeting

## **DIRECTIONS**

### **Rhode Island Department of Health (DOH)**

3 Capitol Hill, Providence, RI 02908

**From 95 southbound:** Take Exit 23 (Charles Street Exit). At the end of the exit, turn right onto Charles Street. Take the first left at the liquor store. You will pass the Marriott Hotel on your right. Turn right at the second traffic light onto Orms Street. Take the first left onto State Street and then your first right into a parking lot. The Department of Health is the white building on your left.

**From 95 northbound:** Take Exit 23 (State Offices Exit). Stay to the right on the exit and then get into the center lane before the stoplight. Go straight through the light onto State Street and turn right into the first parking lot. The Department of Health is the white building on your left.

Park in the large lot on your right or use a meter on State Street (eight quarters for two hours).

### **New England Institute of Technology (NEIT)**

1408 Division Street, East Greenwich, RI 02818

**From 95 southbound:** Take Exit 8 and bear right onto Route 2 south (Quaker Lane). At the first traffic light, turn right onto Division Road. NEIT is on the left.

**From 95 northbound:** Take Exit 8A and merge onto Route 2 south (Quaker Lane). At the first traffic light, turn right onto Division Road. NEIT is on the left.

**From Route 4:** Take Exit 8B and merge onto Route 401 West (Division Street/Division Road). Cross the light at Route 2 (Quaker Lane). NEIT is on the left.

Park in front of the building's main entrance in any spot that is not reserved. Please leave the visitor parking spots for Admission's Office visitors. Enter the building through the front entrance. The Hall of Fame Room is located on the first floor as you enter the building. Bear to the right past the staircase and fish pond and look for room N103 on the right.

### **Women & Infants Hospital of Rhode Island (W&I)**

101 Dudley Street, Providence, RI 02905

(Rhode Island Breastfeeding Coalition Conference parking and shuttle details TBA)

From North of Providence: Take Route 95 south to Exit 19, Eddy Street. Bear left toward Eddy Street. At the light, turn right onto Eddy Street. At first set of lights, take a right onto Dudley Street. Women & Infants is approximately 0.2 miles on right.

From South of Providence:

Take Route 95 to Exit 18, Thurbers Avenue. Bear left on the exit ramp. At second set of lights, turn right onto Eddy Street. Proceed on Eddy Street to the second set of lights. Turn left onto Dudley Street. Women & Infants is approximately .2 mile on the right.

From Interstate 195: Take Route 195 West to Route 95 South. Take Exit 18, Thurbers Avenue. Bear right on exit to the light. Turn right onto Eddy Street. Proceed on Eddy Street to the second set of lights. Turn left onto Dudley Street. Women & Infants is approximately .2 mile on the right.