



Position Statement on Support for Lactating Medical Students, Post-Graduate Trainees, and Physicians

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ACP recognizes the importance of supporting medical students, post-graduate trainees, and physicians in achieving their breastfeeding goals and calls on institutions, hospitals and clinics to implement lactation accommodation and support policies that include:

- Education on the benefits of breastfeeding, details of the lactation policy, and roles and responsibilities for all staff.
- The provision of clean, private lactation space in close proximity of workspaces, equipped with electricity and tools that allow for productivity such as internet and network access, phones, and computers connected to the hospital or clinic system.
- Secure storage for expressed breast milk, personal breast pumps and supplies.
- Paid, protected time for lactation as applicable.