

Dear Friends and Presidents,

NVL (Nederlandse vereniging van Lactatiekundigen, the Dutch IBCLC Association) has recently performed a very thoughtful work of revision of the Professional profile.

They have generously shared the English translation of their work with us, which you can find in the three attached documents. The first two are presentations of the preparatory work done that lead to the revisions of the Professional profile, and explain the reasoning behind the changes, and provide precious food for thought.

The third document is the amended Professional Profile, where the editing is highlighted and explained, so that you can compare it with the translation you have done in your language, and update it more easily.

I want to thank Marianne Vanderveen-Kolkena for this complex and detailed work that provides such important material to all ELACTA's Member Associations.

In these difficult times the recognition of the IBCLC profession is more than ever important for families and babies.

We sincerely hope that this tremendous job done by NVL, and in particular by Marianne Vanderveen-Kolkena, will help you in your efforts for the recognition of the IBCLC profession.

We remind the main conditions under which the Professional profile was shared:

- This is a confidential document, provided only for ELACTA's members
- ELACTA takes no responsibility of the endversion
- Confidentiality is Highly recommended
- The main goal is to send this profile to authorities involved in the profession-accreditation, education, parliament, tax office & insurances, and be a support in the effort for the profession's development and recognition.
- You can make amendments in your final version according to the situation in your country

We appreciate feedback in the next few months about this document. As you can read in the original mail, the .doc version can be provided if requested.

Warm regards to all of you.

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