

There are no obstacles to breastfeeding in Idaho



The mission of the Idaho Breastfeeding Coalition is to facilitate a community and statewide landscape that protects, supports, and promotes breastfeeding as the biological norm for a healthier Idaho.

Idaho Breastfeeding Coalition is pleased to announce:

Nominations are open for the 2020-2021

Dr. Jane Grassley Breastfeeding Award of Excellence.

Award Selection Process

Completed applications must be received by midnight May 1, 2021. The Idaho Breastfeeding Coalition Board will make the selection and the recipient will be acknowledged at the 4th Idaho Breastfeeding Summit, June 24-25, 2021, in Boise, Idaho, at Jacks Urban Meeting Place (JUMP).

To highlight breastfeeding excellence in the state of Idaho, the Idaho Breastfeeding Coalition has created an annual award to recognize an individual who fulfills the Mission and Vision of the IBC. The annual award will be presented to individuals who demonstrate leadership, dedication, and compassion for breastfeeding families within the state.

The creation of the award was inspired by Dr. Jane Grassley's lifelong contributions and commitment to breaking down barriers to breastfeeding. Through her research and leadership, she has touched the lives of many and shaped the career path of numerous professionals.

The award is to acknowledge an individual who has shown exceptional dedication and leadership to promote, support, and protect breastfeeding and break down the barriers to breastfeeding in Idaho.

Nominate an individual in your Idaho community that has shown this kind of leadership and dedication. An application is available on the Idaho Breastfeeding Coalition website, <https://www.idahobreastfeeding.org/> or send us an email at idahobreastfeeding@gmail.com. The Summit Planning Committee and Board Members of the Idaho Breastfeeding Coalition will determine the annual recipient and the award will be presented at the Idaho Breastfeeding Summit.



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About Dr. Jane Grassley, RN, PhD, IBCLC, ICCE

In 2004, Dr. Jane Grassley wrote her dissertation on *Understanding Maternal Breastfeeding Confidence*, a subject matter that illuminated throughout her career. In a number of publications, honors and awards received on topics ranging from a grandmother's role in supporting breastfeeding to supporting adolescents in childbirth, nurturing breastfeeding confidence has been a common theme in her research. A theme that shines in her love and passion for the new family and has made her the mentor she is today.

As an International Board Certified Lactation Consultant (IBCLC) for 20 years, her research has focused on areas related to promoting and supporting breastfeeding. Her current research focuses on the uses of mobile technologies in facilitating community support for mother's breastfeeding a late preterm or early term infant. Her focus is always invested in understanding how we can nurture mothers' breastfeeding confidence.

Award Recipients

2018: Dr. Jane Grassley, RN, PhD, IBCLC, ICCE of Boise, Idaho

2019: Cindy Galloway RD, LD, IBCLC of Boise, Idaho

2020: postponed to 2021 due to COVID 19

Award Application

Person making the Nomination: _____

I would like to nominate: _____

The nominee resides in the state of Idaho. Yes ___ No ___

Please explain how this candidate fulfills the mission and vision of the Idaho Breastfeeding coalition while providing additional relevant information about the candidate.
