

Yvonne LeFort, MD, FRNZCGP, FCFP, FABM, PGDip  
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Dr Yvonne LeFort, a family medicine doctor trained in Canada, has practised breastfeeding medicine for over 20 years and runs a private breastfeeding clinic in Auckland, New Zealand. She is the first author of the ABM's Position Statement on Ankyloglossia and Breastfeeding Dyads 2021 along with several other clinical protocols.

Justin Roche, MB ChB, FRCPCH, FRCPI(Paeds), IBCLC  
(recertifying)

Justin is a consultant paediatrician and has over 15 years experience in the field of tongue-tie. Together with Kate Roche, he has founded the National Tongue-Tie Centre in Ireland which provides multidisciplinary care to those with tongue-tie of all ages including functional frenuloplasty for infants and children from 3 months old.

Catherine Watson Genna, BS, IBCLC

Catherine Watson Genna is an IBCLC in private practice in New York City, certified in 1992. She loves to educate healthcare professionals on assisting breastfeeding babies with anatomical, genetic or neurological problems. She collaborates with Columbia University and Tel Aviv University on research projects investigating the biomechanics of breastfeeding. She is the author of *Supporting Sucking Skills in Breastfeeding Infants*.

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## Tongue-Tie: Clarity in Complexity

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# PROGRAM

**Richard Baxter** – How oral restrictions impact feeding, speech, and sleep across the lifespan

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**Renee Beebe** – Helping parents navigate the roller coaster of tongue-tie

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**Sarah Bombell** – Tongue-ties – Types and presentations in newborns and older babies. An outpatient clinic review

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**Melissa Cole** – Supporting optimal healing outcomes for the newborn post-frenectomy

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**Philip Hand** – Breastfeeding and gastroesophageal reflux disease improvement after tethered oral tissues release

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**Annette Leary** – Procedure vs process: Understanding the differences

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**Yvonne LeFort** – Treating tongue-tie in breastfeeding infants – Finding our way

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**Justin Roche** – Beneath the surface – Anatomy and physiology, and how these influence the approach to frenectomy

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**Catherine Watson Genna** – Ultrasound analysis of sucking: Tongue-tie and confounders

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# BIOGRAPHIES

**Richard Baxter, DMD, MS**

Dr. Richard Baxter is a board-certified pediatric dentist, Fellow of the AAPD, and Diplomate of the American Board of Laser Surgery. He is an internationally-recognized speaker on tongue-ties, instructor of the acclaimed online course Tongue-Tied Academy, and lead author of the bestselling book Tongue-Tied: How a Tiny String Under the Tongue Impacts Nursing, Speech, Feeding, and More. He is passionate about educating parents and healthcare providers about the effects a tongue-tie can have throughout the lifespan. He is the founder of the Alabama Tongue-Tie Center where he uses the CO2 laser to release oral restrictions.

**Renee Beebe, M. Ed, IBCLC**

Renee Beebe has been working in the field of lactation, since 1990, as a La Leche League leader, postpartum doula and IBCLC (certified 1997). In her work she draws from her background in education and child development. Renee has supported families in the Seattle area and phone and telehealth consultations internationally. Renee has assisted with over 2000 frenotomies with scissor and laser release providers.

**Sarah Bombell, BMedSc, RN, Grad Dip Neonatal Care, MBBS, FRACGP, DRANZCOG Adv, IBCLC**

Sarah is a GP obstetrician and IBCLC who works in the field of breastfeeding medicine. Sarah completed her medical degree at the Australian National University. She gained her advanced diploma in obstetrics and gynaecology and her fellowship as a general practitioner. She is the secretary of the Breastfeeding Medicine Network Australia/NZ Board.

**Melissa Cole, MS, IBCLC**

Melissa Cole is an IBCLC, neonatal oral-motor assessment professional and clinical herbalist in private practice. Her bachelor's degree is in maternal/child health and lactation and her master's degree is in therapeutic herbalism.

**Philip Hand BDS, (Otago, N.Z.) MSc (UCSC Italy)**

Dr Philip Hand practices in Melbourne, Australia. He is the secretary of the International Academy of Innovative Dentistry (IAID) and a visiting professor at UCSC-Rome. He is a devoted proponent of the use of the dental microscope and dental lasers and is passionate about tackling the issues and treatment for infant feeding, airway health and growth and sleep from a dental perspective.

**Annette Leary, RN BSN IBCLC**

Annette has been a maternal child health registered nurse for over 36 years. She took her first IBCLC exam in 1995. She started her craniosacral therapy Upledger training in 2015 and continues taking advanced classes yearly as well as serving as a teacher's assistant. She owns Orlando Lactation and Wellness Services and is a partner business owner of Baby BLISS: Central Florida Feeding Collaborative.