

THE ROLE OF

# BREAST/CHEST- FEEDING

IN COMMUNITY HEALTH

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# THE KEY ELEMENTS

**01**

BREAST/CHESTFEEDING  
SUCCESS IN A HOMEBIRTH  
PRACTICE

**02**

SUPPORTING  
BREAST/CHESTFEEDING THROUGH  
A MIDWIFERY MODEL OF CARE

**03**

BUILDING COMMUNITY  
PARTNERSHIPS TO SERVE MORE  
PEOPLE





# WHAT IS BREAST/CHEST- FEEDING SUCCESS?

When a parent or caregiver feels supported, heard, and understood.

When a child is nourished and compassionately cared for.

# 01

## BREAST/CHEST -FEEDING SUCCESS IN A HOMEBIRTH PRACTICE

### EMPATHY IS KEY

We start from what people need or want to do, their motivations and the problems they are trying to solve. We need the ability to understand others personal feeding goals.





# SANKOFA BIRTH STATS

99%

Initiation of  
breast/chestfeeding in the  
immediate postpartum  
period

99%

Breast/chestfeeding  
continuation at the 6 week  
postpartum visit





# **GREATLY HANDS-ON**

## **GO BEYOND**

Midwifery Model of care is relationship based.  
Breast/chestfeeding success starts at the first prenatal visit.

# **ALWAYS ATTENTIVE**

## **WHOLE PERSON**

The more we see clients as whole persons, the greater successes iwill be in breast/chestfeeding relationships.

# **02**

# BUILDING COMMUNITY

Community Partnerships are imperative to comprehensive support of breast/chestfeeding. Aya Birth & Community Wellness, NC's first Black Midwife-led birth and community wellness center, is establishing relationships with mission aligned businesses and practitioners for lactation support.

Aya will refer clients to IBCLCs and other infant feeding specialist for continued client education, evaluation, and support in reaching individual goals.

03





**EVERYONE DESERVES  
THE CHANCE TO FEED  
THEIR BABY THE WAY  
THEY CHOOSE**





# **QUESTIONS & ANSWERS**

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