

# Infant and Young Child Feeding in Emergencies (IFE) Orientation and Training Day

Wednesday 11th July 2007



Twins breast and cup feeding in Malawi

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Applications are invited for this one-day workshop on Wed 11th July, 2007 set within the 16th Breastfeeding: Practice and Policy Certificate Course, 18 Jun – 3 July 2007.

The sessions are being given by a range of professionals from the IFC, ENN and the IFE Core Group bringing direct experience of working with mothers and babies and emergency contexts together. Participants are welcome for full or half day sessions.

Cost: £15 to cover coffees, lunch and materials, £10 for morning session to include lunch. Participants attending the afternoon session must also attend the morning session for certification.

Held jointly by the IFE Core Group and the Infant Feeding Consortium (IFC), UCL Centre for International Health and Development, Institute of Child Health, 30 Guildford Street, London, WC1N 1EH



## Morning (0900 – 1300)

### Essential orientation for EVERYONE concerned with emergencies

The morning sessions provide an orientation on infant and young child feeding in emergencies (IFE) that is designed to inform all who may be involved in responding to emergency situations, including:

- Field staff working in emergency situations, e.g. nutrition and health staff, logisticians, medical/programme coordinators
- Personnel located in or covering countries that are emergency-prone, e.g. desk-officers, campaigners or journalists writing about emergency situations
- Individuals or organisations raising money or funding emergency operations, e.g. bilateral donors, private foundations, individual fundraisers.

*Previous health or nutritional knowledge is not required.*

## Afternoon (1400 – 1730)

### Protection and support of Infant and Young Child Feeding in Emergencies – practical skills

The afternoon session has been designed as preparedness training for those who are directly concerned with mothers/caregivers and infants in emergency situations. This includes staff working in nutrition, child protection, reproductive health, community development, etc. The focus is on aspects of infant feeding applied specifically to emergencies, so the session would also equip participants from a breastfeeding counselling background with the extra information they need to work in emergencies.

## To apply

External places are limited to 20 participants, who will join the Breastfeeding: Practice and Policy Course participants. Applications and further details are available from the Emergency Nutrition Network, 32, Leopold Street, Oxford, OX4 1TW, UK, tel: +44 (0)1865 324996, fax: +44 (0)1865 324997, email: ife@enonline.net

## Certification

All participants who attend the morning session will receive an IFE ESSENTIAL ORIENTATION CERTIFICATE from ENN. All participants who attend the whole day will receive an IFE ESSENTIAL ORIENTATION AND TRAINING CERTIFICATE from ENN.

*This course has been developed through financial support of the UNICEF-led IASC Nutrition Cluster, and technical support of IFE Core Group members and the IFC.*

## The IFE Core Group

The IFE Core Group is an inter-agency collaboration concerned with developing capacity building and policy guidance on infant and young child feeding in emergencies, since 1999. Current members are UNICEF, WHO, UNHCR, WFP, IBFAN-GIFA, CARE USA, Fondation Terre des hommes, Action Contre la Faim and the Emergency Nutrition Network (ENN). Since 2004, the Core Group has been co-ordinated by the ENN. The ENN/IFE Core Group is a member of the UNICEF-led Interagency Standing Committee Nutrition Cluster, to represent IFE.

## UCL Centre for International Health and Development (CIHD)

The UCL CIHD holds the annual international **Breastfeeding: Practice and Policy Course** in collaboration with the **World Health Organisation** (Department of Child and Adolescent Health and Development) and **UNICEF** (Nutrition Section). This masters-level course provides technical and practical training on all aspects of breastfeeding, from birth to beyond two years with an emphasis on equipping professionals with skills and knowledge to use in their employment. The **Infant Feeding Consortium** comprises the Directors of CIHD's infant feeding courses, who provide outreach training on infant feeding training, and consultancy services related to all aspects of infant and young child feeding.

**For more information, contact:** bfeed@ich.ucl.ac.uk or visit [www.ich.ucl.ac.uk/ich/academicunits/cihd/homepage](http://www.ich.ucl.ac.uk/ich/academicunits/cihd/homepage).