

## Preserving Normal Birth IV

### TARGET AUDIENCE

This program is designed for health care professionals who provide the specialty of mother-baby services. The content is appropriate and of interest to registered nurses, nurse practitioners, midwives, childbirth educators, doulas, lactation specialists and physicians.

### GOAL OF THE PROGRAM

Our goal is to provide the practitioner with information that will reduce the high incidence of pharmacological and surgical interventions used in childbirth and achieve increased rates of satisfaction with labor and birth experiences.

### PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

At the conclusion of this program the participant will be able to:

1. Discuss the process of giving birth in an American hospital as a cultural experience.
2. Identify reasons for high infant and fetal mortality rates in Louisiana.
3. Promote the utilization of midwives to improve birth outcomes and statistics.
4. List three techniques to support women in labor.
5. Describe the current state of breastfeeding in Louisiana and evidence-based strategies for improving breastfeeding rates.
6. Discuss two birth models that have proven efficacy.

### COURSE DESCRIPTION

The fourth year of the conference seeks to continue and expand on our stated goal. Robbie Davis-Floyd, a nationally recognized author, leader in maternal-child care and anthropologist will help us assess the health care of mothers and babies from a social and systems approach. Joan Conway will discuss the state-of-the-state in a review of Louisiana's fetal and infant mortality rates and explore the 'whys' of these statistics.

A panel moderated by Kathy Acree-Speyrer will chronicle the midwife's contribution to better birthing experiences, and Helen Hurst and Laura Martien will demonstrate and provide practical tips for labor support.

Marci Brewer of the Louisiana Maternal and Child Health Coalition will tell us where we are with breastfeeding and how we can help improve our statistics. To complete the day, Ms. Davis-Floyd will explore models for practice that have proven successful and ask the audience to reflect on how they will take what they have learned and improve mother-baby care.

## AGENDA

Saturday, March 27, 2010  
Petroleum Club of Lafayette

7:30-8:00	Registration/Continental Breakfast and Exhibits
8:00-8:05	Welcome and Announcements <i>Pat Miller</i>
8:05-8:15	Preserving Normal Birth IV: Change <i>Mistress of Ceremonies Anne Broussard</i>
8:15-10:00	Rituals in a Hospital: Giving Birth the American Way <i>Robbie Davis-Floyd</i>
10:00-10:30	Break
10:30-11:15	Healthy Start: Fetal and Infant Mortality Review/State of the State <i>Joan Conway</i>
11:15-12:00	Birth Stories: Case Studies of How Midwives Have Produced Positive Outcomes <i>Panel: Kathy Acree-Speyrer/Moderator Brenda Broussard Sherri Daigle</i>
12:00-1:00	Lunch
1:00-1:45	Labor Support: Tips and Tricks <i>Helen Hurst Laura Martien</i>
1:45-2:30	Breastfeeding: The GIFT <i>Marci Brewer</i>
2:30-2:45	Break
2:45-4:00	Birth Models That Work <i>Robbie-Davis Floyd</i>
4:00-4:15	Commitment to Act

### DISABILITIES

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## FACULTY

### Marci Brewer-Asling, B.Sc., MPH

Ms. Brewer-Asling is the Statewide Coordinator for The GIFT, a program of the Louisiana Maternal and Care Health Coalition.

### Brenda Broussard, MSN, APRN, CNM, WHNP-BC

Ms. Broussard is clinical faculty for senior maternity nursing at UL Lafayette and has been a nurse educator over 6 years and a nurse midwife.

### Joan Conway, RN

Ms. Conway is the FIMR Coordinator of OPH Region IV.

### Kathy Acree-Speyrer, BS, LM, CPM

Ms. Acree-Speyrer is a staff midwife at Heinen OB/GYN in Eunice and has practiced as a midwife for 21 years in the state of Louisiana. She has provided care in a variety of settings, including home births, birth centers, and hospitals.

### Helen Hurst, DNP, RNC, APRN-CNM

Dr. Hurst is a clinical and classroom faculty teaching maternal-child content and is on staff at LGMC providing care for high and low risk antepartal, intrapartal, and postpartal patients. The focus of Dr. Hurst's doctoral dissertation was labor support.

### Sherri Daigle, MSW, LM

Ms. Daigle has been a practicing midwife for 25 years and has continued to work to create an environment that allows women to have choices about their birthing experiences.

### Laura Martien, RN, MSN

Ms. Martien is an instructor of maternal/newborn nursing at UL Lafayette and has eight years of nursing experience in labor and delivery, post-partum and well-baby nursing.

### FEES

Registration postmarked by March 22, 2007 - \$90.00.  
Late Registration after March 22, 2007 - \$100.00.  
Refunds will be provided if cancellation is by March 22, 2010.

### CONTINUING EDUCATION

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Participants successfully completing this program will be awarded 6.25 contact hours.

### ATTENDANCE POLICY

According to the American Nurses' Credentialing Center, contact hours can be awarded for only those sessions that are successfully completed by the participant.

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## REGISTRATION FORM

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