

COMPONENT 1: Signed Letter of Agreement

Dear EMPOWER Training team,

This letter affirms that _____ is committed to the implementation of evidence-based maternity care practices that support optimal infant nutrition, through the training of staff and providers.

[INSERT HOSPITAL NAME]

Our facility is committed to each of the following under this initiative:

- Covering travel and per diem (meals and hotel) for at least 3 individuals to attend a 2-day regional Learning Collaborative Meeting in Summer 2018,
- Developing a hospital-specific training plan addressing the implementation of evidence-based maternity care to support optimal infant nutrition with assistance from a breastfeeding and quality improvement coach assigned to your hospital,
- Committing to train at least 80% of maternity care staff using a 5-hour skills-based, competency curriculum by August 2019,
- Tracking and reporting completion of training goals,
- Actively participating in EMPOWER Training by attending bi-monthly webinars (6 webinars total) and regular cohort calls, and
- Ensuring that data monitoring is carried out for quality improvement purposes.

Chief Executive Officer (CEO)

Head of Nursing for Prenatal, Labor and Delivery, Postpartum or Equivalent