



Childbirth Education for the Christian Family

Childbirth Educator Certification Requirements

1. Purchase required books (separate cost)
2. 10 self-study modules to complete: Biblical View of Childbirth, Pregnancy, Labor & Birth, Choices & Interventions, Complications, Postpartum, Newborn, Comfort Measures, Breastfeeding, Role of Educator
3. 20 hours of live online classes/discussion to review module content
4. Required to observe a childbirth education class
5. Required to have observed at least 2 labor and births
6. Required to teach a complete childbirth education class
7. Final Certification exam (multiple choice)—proctored
8. 6-9 months recommended to complete but 1 year allowed
9. Membership yearly to use CECF teaching materials
 - a. Agree to CECF mission, vision & values
 - b. Educator starts her own business to teach virtually or in person
 - c. May use CECF teaching power points, handouts
10. May choose to not be member and formulate their own teaching materials
11. Recertification every 5 years through continuing education, either of these methods:
 - a. Continuing Education hours related to obstetrics, midwifery, lactation, or childbirth education—20 contact hours (60-minute hours) OR
 - b. Read & Review/Critique 10 current (within the prior 5 years) obstetric medical, midwifery, lactation, obstetric nursing, or childbirth education journal articles

Costs

- Certification program including exam \$499.
- Required text books--separate cost
- Yearly membership to use CECF teaching materials \$50.
- Recertification every 5 years \$199. for non-members or \$99. for members