

DECEMBER 2021 LOCAL BREASTFEEDING SUPPORTER MEETING RECAP

BREASTFEEDING-SUPPORTIVE LEGISLATION IS MOVING FORWARD IN CONGRESS.

PUMP ACT



Strengthens Break Time for Nursing Mothers Law by expanding workplace protections, clarifying employers' obligations, and more

BUILD BETTER ACT



Contains component that includes comprehensive and inclusive national paid family leave program

CONTACT YOUR LEGISLATORS!



BARRIERS FOR BIRTH AND BREASTFEEDING WORKERS TO SUPPORT FAMILIES ARE INCREASING.

Staffing shortages

Hospital restrictions on doulas

Hospital policies requiring doulas are vaccinated

BLACK AND BROWN FAMILIES PRESENT WITH ENOUGH BARRIERS TO THEIR CARE AND PARENTING WITHOUT ALLOWING COVID AND THE RESTRICTIONS THAT HAVE COME BECAUSE OF IT TO BE ANOTHER EXCUSE GIVEN TO TAKE DOWN THEIR OWN DEFENSES TO POTENTIAL MEDICAL HARM OR TRAUMA. TO RESPECT THE FACT THAT MEDICAL MISTRUST EXIST WITH FAMILIES, WE HAVE TO LEAN INTO THE FACT THAT DOULAS NOT ONLY SOOTHE THAT WITH THEIR CLIENTS, DOULAS LITERALLY SAVE LIVES."

- Rickeshia Williams, CLS, CLC, BD, CBE,
Local breastfeeding supporter in Battle Creek, Michigan