

International Donor Milk Conference Agenda
The Milk Bank Ecosystem: Standards, Systems, and Science

Monday, April 20, 2026

Time	Topic	Speaker
7:00am - 8:00am	Continental Breakfast with Exhibitors	
8:00am - 8:10am	Welcome Remarks	Lindsay Groff, MBA, HMBANA
8:10am - 8:15am	Virtual Welcome from Senator Tammy Duckworth	The Honorable Tammy Duckworth, United States Senate (IL)
8:15am - 9:05am	Marketing and Commercialization of Formula	Nigel Rollins, MD, FRCPCCh, Health Queen's University Belfast & Former Scientist at WHO
9:05am - 9:35am	Federal State of Play for Human Milk Banking	Rachel Motley, BA, Raben
9:35am - 9:50am	Q&A	
9:50am - 10:20am	Morning Break with Exhibitors	
10:20am - 10:50am	Nobody is Coming to Save Us: Strategic Imperatives in a New Era	Clifton Kenon, Jr, DNP, MSN, IBCLC, FAWHONN, FANN, NYU Rory Meyers College of Nursing
10:50am - 11:20am	Conceptualizing the Commercialization of Human Milk: A Concept Analysis	Heather Rusi, RN, MHDFS, MIHMEP, University of Calgary
11:20am - 11:50am	Economic Evidence for Human Milk Feedings in Very Preterm Infants in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit	Tricia Johnson, PhD, RUSH University Medical Center
11:50am - 12:05pm	Q&A	
12:05pm - 1:05pm	Lunch & Poster Session	
1:10pm - 1:20pm	Family Story	
1:20pm - 1:50pm	Shifting Narratives, Culture, and Community Engagement in Human Milk Banking	Kimberly Seals Allers, BA, MS, Narrative Nation/Irth
1:50pm - 2:20pm	Landscape of Lactation for Families in Chicago	Jo Ann Allen, MSN, RN, IBCLC, Mama Jo Ann Lactation Consultant
2:20pm - 2:35pm	Q&A	
2:35pm - 2:50pm	Afternoon Break with Exhibitors	
2:50pm - 3:20pm	Global Perspectives on Human Milk Banking Integrated into Newborn and Nutritional Care for Vulnerable Infants	Kimberly Mansen, MSPH, RDN, PATH
3:20pm - 3:50pm	Human Milk Banking in India: Progress, Challenges, and the Way Forward	Rajinder Gulati, MD, FIAP, National Health Mission (Punjab) India
3:50pm - 4:20pm	European Regulation of Human Milk	Daniel Klotz, Professor, MD, MHBA, Bethel Center for Pediatrics, University of Bielefeld
4:20pm - 4:50pm	AAP Clinical Report: Promoting Human Milk and Lactation for the VLBW Infant	Meg Parker, MD, MPH, UMass Memorial Health
4:50pm - 5:00pm	Q&A and Closing Remarks	
5:00pm - 8:30pm	Shuttles to/from the Milk Bank Mingle	
5:30pm - 8:00pm	Milk Bank Mingle at Mothers' Milk Bank of Western Great Lakes	

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Tuesday, April 21, 2026

Time	Topic	Speaker
7:00am - 8:00am	Continental Breakfast with Exhibitors	
8:00am - 8:05am	Opening Remarks	Lisa Stellwagen, MD, FAAP, UC San Diego School of Medicine, HMBANA
8:05am - 8:50am	Donor Milk: An Optimal Choice for Special Outpatient Circumstances	Anne Eglash, MD, NABBLM-C, IBCLC, FABM, The Institute for the Advancement of Breastfeeding and Lactation Education
8:50am - 9:15am	Building Bridges to Recruit Donors, Engage in Equity, and Support Families	Katera Goldman, CPT, Mothers' Milk Bank of the Western Great Lakes
9:15am - 9:45am	Data-Driven Solutions to Increase Milk Donor Engagement and Production Capacity	Miena Hall, MD, IBCLC, Mothers' Milk Bank of the Western Great Lakes
9:45am - 10:00am	Q&A	
10:00am - 10:20am	Morning Break with Exhibitors	
10:20am - 10:50am	Contextualizing Donor Human Milk in the Wider Lens of Infant Feeding	Maryanne Perrin, PhD, MBA, RDN, University of North Carolina Greensboro
10:50am - 11:20am	Human Milk Nutrient Fortification – Gaps and Opportunities to Impact the Health and Development of the High-Risk Infant	Deborah O'Connor, PhD, RD, University of Toronto
11:20am - 11:50pm	Small Vulnerable Newborn Framework	Nigel Rollins, MD, FRCPC, Health Queen's University Belfast, WHO
11:50am - 12:00pm	Q&A	
12:00pm - 1:00pm	Lunch	
1:00pm - 1:10pm	Family Story	
1:10pm - 1:40pm	Drug Residues in Pasteurized Donor Human Milk: A Comprehensive Analytical Approach	Michelle Brenner, MD, The King's Daughters Milk Bank at CHKD
1:40pm - 2:10pm	Predicting and Optimizing 'Coming to Volume'	Aloka Patel, MD, Rush University
2:10pm - 2:40pm	Navigating Breastfeeding for Babies with Feeding Challenges	Jill Rabin, MS, CCC-SLP/L, IBCLC, Jill Rabin LLC
2:40pm - 2:55pm	Q&A	
2:55pm - 3:10pm	Afternoon Break	
3:10pm - 3:40pm	Donor Human Milk vs Formula Supplementation on Microbiome Development in Vaginally Born, Full-Term Infants Exposed to Antibiotics During Labor: A Pilot Randomized Controlled Trial	Meredith Brockway, PhD, RN, IBCLC, University of Calgary
3:40pm - 4:10pm	Optimizing Milk Bank Processes with AI	Natalia Summerville, PhD, Duke University
4:10pm - 4:40pm	Donor Human Milk Utilization and its Evolution	Michael Cappello, DO, Advocate Children's Medical Group Neonatology
4:40pm - 5:00pm	Q&A and Closing Remarks	