Virtual Conference timetable
Wednesday 18 November, 9am-5pm

09:00 "You’re on mute!" Welcome and reflection on 2020
Sue Ashmore, Programme Director, Unicef UK Baby Friendly Initiative

09:25 Implementing the NHS Plan & presentation of the 2020 qualifications
Prof Jacqueline Dunkley-Bent OBE, Chief Midwifery Officer

09:50 Followed by joint Q&A

10:00 Break

10:15 Skin-to-skin contact, maternal proximity and breastfeeding: how important are they in the Covid-19 pandemic
Dr Karleen Gribble, Adjunct Associate Professor, School of Nursing and Midwifery, Western Sydney University

10:45 Optimising mother-baby contact and infant feeding in a pandemic
Prof Mary Renfrew, Professor of Mother and Infant Health, University of Dundee

11:15 Followed by joint Q&A

11:30 Break

11:45 Development of the gut microbiome in early life
Dr Christopher J. Stewart, Newcastle University Academic Career Track Fellow

12:30 Lunch

13:00 Qualifications programme: what we have learnt and what next
Francesca Entwistle, Policy and Advocate Lead, Unicef UK Baby Friendly Initiative

13:30 Why the UK needs Black Breastfeeding Week
Mars Lord, Doula Educator & Birth Activist

13:45 Break

14:30 Infant feeding support & maternal mental health
Smita Hanciles, Camden Baby Feeding Service Manager

15:15 Break

15:30 Anaesthetics and breastfeeding - can they exist together? The result of a long debate
Wendy Jones PhD MRPharmS, Breastfeeding and Medication Pharmacist

16:00 Break

16:15 Breastfeeding and climate change: overlapping vulnerabilities and integrating responses
Sandra Zadkovic, Breastfeeding Peer Support Volunteer, Halton Breastfeeding Connection

16:45 Close of conference
Anne Woods, Deputy Programme Director, Unicef UK Baby Friendly Initiative

Each speaker will allow time for questions at the end of their presentation.

Additional information:
Price: Individual tickets are £40 pp - please book via Eventbrite. For group bookings of 10 people or more, there is a 10% discount - please visit our website to book. Your ticket price includes access to the live event plus on-demand post-conference access for two weeks.

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