Breastfeeding Center
Coral Suite 320
EvergreenHealth Medical Center

PROFILE
The Breastfeeding Center is an outpatient clinic featuring private exam rooms for consultations with breastfeeding families. There is also a retail store featuring baby products and breastfeeding supplies including a Lactina and Symphony breast pump rental station and professional bra-fitting.

UNIT FOCUS
The Breastfeeding Center is committed to providing an evidence-based program of support, education and professional advice to help women and babies succeed at breastfeeding.

PATIENT CARE DELIVERY MODEL
RN lactation consultants offer individual consultations to assess infant feeding styles and help solve breastfeeding problems. There is a lactation phone line to help with questions Monday-Friday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

TEAM MEMBERS
The Breastfeeding Center staff is comprised of registered nurses who are board certified in lactation consulting (IBCLC - Internationally Board Certified Lactation Consultant).

SCHEDULING PRACTICES
Staff scheduling provides coverage for clinic appointments, facilitating daily baby care classes on the Family Maternity Center unit, rounding on maternity inpatients and providing telephone consultations. The appointments can be self scheduled, referred by the Postpartum Care Center or medical providers. Visits are by appointment only.

STAFF ORIENTATION
Breastfeeding orientation is preceptor based and individualized.

EDUCATIONAL AND DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES
Community outreach and collaboration with breastfeeding promotional organizations is extensive. Participation in annual conferences and continuing education is ongoing. A support group for women experiencing unexpected outcomes with breastfeeding is facilitated by clinic staff.