1. **T17, Castellino Foundation Training in Ojai, CA, 2023-2026**
2. **Statement of Commitment / Student Contract**

**1) General**

a) Confirmation of the Student’s place in the Training will only be on receipt of the Student’s deposit in full by the Castellino Training Corp and the signed copy of this Statement of Commitment confirming the Student’s acceptance of the conditions of this Agreement.

b) All Students are required to have internet access throughout the training. All information of a general nature will be available on our website at http://www.castellinotraining.com/. All information in this statement of commitment is also on the website. The last page of this contract is to be downloaded, signed and mailed snail mail to Sandra Castellino at Castellino Training, Corp. 1105 N Ontare Road, Santa Barbara, CA 93105. Or it can be scanned and emailed to sandra@castellinotraining.com. It is due by 2 weeks after receiving email notification of acceptance.

**2) Commitment**

The Student understands that he/she is making a commitment to attend all of the nine modules: Module A on zoom and Modules 1-8, which are held in the Ojai area. The Student also agrees to arrive on time for each segment/day and stay until the end of each segment/day. Exceptions to this commitment can only be made with Tara Blasco / Mary Jackson written permission before making airline reservations and well in advance of the training. Please make airline and other travel arrangements so that you will arrive rested and be able to stay until at least 1 pm on the last day.

We understand that we cannot predict what will transpire in the greater world during the 3 years of the training. Therefore, an option to participate via zoom will be available. This is to be used only in very special circumstances such as a pandemic, travel restrictions, etc. We are asking that participants attend in person with the exception such a widespread reason for participating by zoom.

**3) Trainers**

Tara Blasco, PhD, RCST and Mary Jackson, RN, LM, RCST will be teaching Modules A and 1-8. They will be supported by 6 to 8 assistants.

In the event of ill health or family emergency of Mary, or Tara during the training, one of the following will occur:

1. The co-trainer will continue to facilitate, on his/her own with the support of the assistants.
2. The co-trainer will continue and a 2nd person will step into the co-trainer role. This could be an assistant from this or a previous training.

In either case, the training will continue as scheduled.

**4) Completion Certificate**

The Completion Certificate for the Foundation Training will be provided by Castellino Training to the Student on completion of the following:

1. Attending a total of 4 womb surround process workshops (WS) OR 3 WSs and a Sequencing Workshop with the following stipulations
2. At least 1 WS or a Sequencing workshop must be taken prior to applying to the training
3. At least 1 WSs must be taken after attending training module #1 in Februay, 2024.
4. Trainees will be given priority in Mary and Tara’s WSs until they have taken their required number of WSs. This may not be true in the 9 months before a future training when applicants will need to have priority. So we suggest that you take your womb surrounds in the first 2 years.
5. Completion of all creative homework projects.
6. Attendance and completion of Module A and Modules 1-8 [timings listed in #7].

2023: December 2-3, 5-6 (MA)

2024: February 08-14 (M1), May 30-June 5 (M2), November 14-20 (M3)

2025: February 20-26 (M4), May 29-June 4 (M5), October 16-22 (M6)

2026: February 19-25 (M7), May 14-20, (M8 – PLEASE NOTE NEW DATE)

1. Completion of all payments for the training, as well as those required for Womb Surrounds, Sequencing Workshop and any other clinical training taken with Castellino Training, with other WS facilitators and with BEBA, plus any other costs associated with completing the requirements.
2. Making up any missed days or parts of days by watching videotapes, doing exercises, and writing up your experience. If you miss more than 2 days of a module, you may be asked to attend that module in a future training in order to graduate.
3. To graduate, you cannot miss more than 1 module or the equivalent time by missing parts of more than 1 module. To graduate, the student must make up by watching the video and doing the exercises for any time missed. If more than the equivalent of one module, the student must also make up in the appropriate module of a future training.

**5) Payment of Training Fees**

1. Scope of Payment The Training fees stated below relate solely to the tuition fees for Module A and Modules 1-8. All other costs shall remain the responsibility of the Student. These may include, but are not limited to:
* The Student’s travel, accommodation, meals, doll and cloth pelvis and optional books, papers and videos.

(1) First Deposit of $695 is non-refundable must be received 3 weeks after acceptance by PayPal or/ $670 mailed by 2 weeks after acceptance if paying by check or Money Order to hold your place.

(2) Second Deposit due to continue holding your place. Deposit of $1645 / $1595 due by the latter of 2 weeks after acceptance or Sept 26, to continue holding your place. Once you have started the training, the second deposit is non-refundable. Checks must be postmarked by 5 days before due date or received by due date.

(3) 1 payment of $625/ $599 for Module A. Students who have paid both deposits may pay for Module A by check for $599 mailed by October 26. Others may sign up for Module A online at https://online.castellinotraining.com

(4) Payment for Modules 1-8 must be received by 5 weeks before the start date (or postmarked 5 days before that). The website <https://castellinotraining.com/foundation> has a list of due PayPal dates and mail by dates.

Receipts will be sent by email when payment is deposited.

**6) Late Payment Policy**

1. Receipt of payment by Castellino Training is defined as when the monies have been received in cash or by mail for check or MO made to Castellino Training, mailed (postmarked) to Santa Barbara address (1105 N Ontare Road, Santa Barbara, CA 93105), given in person at the training (for those who want to pay for the next module in advance) or deposited directly to the Castellino Training’ bank account.
2. PayPal payments will be deemed received the day the PayPal payment reaches our PayPal account.
3. Payment will be considered late if it is received after the due date (Exception: when it was postmarked or wired 5 days prior to the due date from the US or 1 week from other countries). Note that each payment milestone will be treated separately, thus accruing late fees for each late payment.
4. When payments are received after the due date, Castellino Training reserves the right to charge a late fee of $5/day up to 5% of the fee.
* 1st Deposit: If the $695/$670 deposit is not received by dates mentioned previously, charge is $5/day up to $30 additional.
* 2nd Deposit: If the $1645/$1595 is not received by 10/26/23, charge is $5/day up to $82.25.
* Modular payments: Late fee of $5/day up to $62.50.
1. Interest: If payment is received within one month of the due date, a late fee will be charged but not interest. If the payment is still not made within one month of the due date, then a further charge of 1% per month of the outstanding balance, calculated from the original due date, will be charged until the payment is made in full.
2. If a check bounces and a replacement is received after the due date, late fees apply to that payment as well as a $25 charge for bounced checks.
3. Any checks from foreign countries must be written on an American bank to avoid incurring late fees and processing charges. The Student will be liable for any bank charges incurred by Castellino Training, which are created by the Student’s payment method, e.g. wire charges, currency conversions.
4. Our experience is that wire transfers often have monies deducted midway that are unpredictable. Our bank charges $14 for wire transfers from the US, $16 from outside the US so anything sent directly to our bank, add at least $14/$16. Direct deposits, international money orders, traveler’s’ checks, and checks all work well.
5. For all **PayPal payments**. Castellino Training will pay the fees. The PayPal address for all T17 PayPal payments is **sandra@castellinotraining.com.** Use GOODS and SERVICES, NOT friends and family.

**7) Seminar Times**

In order to allow enough time to cover the material, the Student is asked to be on time for each of the sessions. Each session will start at the time stated below, unless modified by the trainers. The Student is therefore requested to schedule his/her departure or arrival by plane or car so that he/she does not miss any of the scheduled seminar time. Please do not arrange another activity during the seminar times. In an emergency, where the Student is late or has to leave early, the Student will be responsible for advising Mary or Tara or their representative as well as Sandra Castellino and will be required to watch the video files of that part that he/she missed and make up any process work as outlined below. Watching the video files may be possible during the module. Where this is not possible, item 15 of this Contract applies.

We encourage you to make your travel arrangements with sufficient space to allow for unforeseen delays, especially in light of airline cancelations becoming more common. It is critical that you plan to allow enough time after the end of the module to get to airports and still allow time for goodbyes. Please plan to arrive well before the posted times to allow time to socialize, get tea, use bathrooms, integrate and be in your seats ready to start at the posted times. Please note, the course starts at the stated time so for in-person modules, please be in your seats ready to go a bit before. Day ONE, register at 9:30 am, start at 10:00 am. Office hours (opportunity for individual contact with the instructors) will start on Day 2 of each module.

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| In person modules | Starting Time | Lunch Break | Ending Time |
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| Day 1, Thursday | 9:30 am registration10:00 am start time | 2 hours | 5:00 pm |
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| Days 2-5 (Fri-Tues) | 10:00 am start time | 2 hours | 5:00 pm |
| Last day, Wed. | 10:00 am start time | 20 min (bring a snack) | 1.00 pm |

**8) Creative Home Projects**Written projects will be assigned at the completion of most of the modules. The projects are designed to augment the Student’s training experience. The Student is asked to return them by the deadlines given.

**9) Reading List and Doll and Cloth Pelvis**

1. a) The trainers will provide the Student with a list of suggested readings. These are not required reading.
2. b) As part of the Training, the Student is asked to purchase from Castellino Training or directly from the retailer before module 3 a special doll and a cloth pelvis for approximately $200. These will be available to buy at the beginning of Module 3. All students will be expected to buy one at the training module unless you notify Sandra by module 2 that you already have one. Twins are encouraged to buy 2 dolls. Amnion, Chorion, cord and placental models are optional and available for sale. Orders will be taken during module 2.

**10) Peer Contact**

The Student is asked to be willing to meet and/or keep in contact with peers and members of tutorial groups during the time between the training modules.

**11) Abstinence from Alcohol during Workshops and Training Modules; Nicotine, Recreational and Ceremonial Drugs All the Time**

In order that everyone be as clear as possible to learn the work, the Student is required to refrain from using any alcohol commencing one day prior to and during each of the 9 training modules including Module A on zoom.

The Student is also required to not be using, in any amount nicotine, recreational drugs or ayahuasca or other ceremonial drugs and be committed to abstaining until after completion of the Foundation Training (2.75 years).

Use of medical marijuana must be disclosed in the application and will be considered on an individual basis.

**12) Recording of the Modules**

Video recording of each of the complete modules will be carried out only by the assistants at Castellino Training. The Student may make audio only recordings of the modules, not videotapes. The same restrictions apply for Womb Surrounds and any other private workshops with Mary or Tara.

**13) Confidentiality**

In agreeing to this Contract, the Student acknowledges that:

1. In order to provide a safe environment, other Students’ process and sharing remain confidential unless express permission is given by these other Student(s).
2. Video files of the training and those audiotapes made by the Student relating to the Course, are for the personal use of the Student(s) taking this training only. They may not be shown to any other persons (including the Student’s family) without express permission in writing from the trainers.
3. Materials posted on the Castellino website for the trainees are for the exclusive use of the trainees and are not to be shared with anyone without explicit permission from the trainers.

**14) Copyright**

All material provided as part of the Training remains the copyright of Castellino Training Corp and as such any requests to copy, reprint, publish, etc., may only occur with the express written permission of an acknowledged representative of Castellino Training, including Sandra Castellino.

**15) Making up for Emergencies: Missing any part of a training module**

1. General In the case of an unforeseen emergency causing the Student to miss any part [even 1 hour] of a training module, the trainers will assess the needs of the Student and will require the Student to carry out any work that they direct in order that the Student is fully prepared for the next module. This applies even if the time missed was less than one hour. The Student agrees to:
	1. Make up any process work that occurred within the module with Peers and/or one of the Assistants. This process work will not form part of the agreement with the Castellino Training and so any fees/telephone calls, etc., will be the responsibility of the Student. The rates, etc., will be agreed directly between an Assistant and the Student.

ii. Read the material provided for the module as well as any other additional assignment.

iii. Complete his/her creative home projects given out during the *missed* module (The Student will be required to hand in any outstanding creative home projects).

iv. Watch the video files relating to the module as detailed below.

Watching the training on the video files of the training.

i. Whole group sections of the training modules will be taped using digital recording or zoom or both.

ii. The Student will identify the period of time he/she missed to an Assistant. If the section is not on zoom, the whole digital file which contains that time period will be copied rather than just the section missed. This can be transferred to a flash drive or a hard drive or computer you supply. If we supply the flash drive, there will be an additional charge for the flash drive and shipping/handling.

* 1. vii. The container of confidentiality extends to cover these flash drives or transferred files and as such only the Course participants may view them. Partners, friends, and children may not view the course material.

After making up any process work missed and viewing the video, the student will submit a write up describing his/her experience doing the exercises,

The Student will not be able to proceed to the next module unless the prerequisites defined above are met:

i) Making up exercises and submitting a write up about his/her experiences, reading assigned material if any and completing home projects.

ii) Watching & paying for (if applicable) the videos of missed sections.

iii. This does not exempt the Student from his/her liability to pay the training fees as defined under item 5 of this Contract. If the student is not up to date with payments including that for the missed module, no flash drives will be made or files transferred.

* 1. The Student who misses more than two days may be invited to take the missed module with a later training group to complete the Course and graduate as described under item 17 below.

**16) Retaking a Module in the Next Training**

This option to complete a module in the next training does not remove the requirement of the Student to complete all of the work defined above under item 16. This does not apply to the last module.

The Student who misses all or part of a module is required to pay all the training fees as defined under item 5 of this Contract to Castellino Training. The Student will have the option of taking this module in the next Castellino training in the US. The Student will not, however, be required to pay for the full tuition fee for the module taken with Castellino Training when making up the module if making up is in the United States. A fee of up to $100 will be charged. This free tuition is only available if the Student makes up the module in the next training in the US. The Student will be required to pay for all other costs which may include, but are not limited to travel, accommodation, facilities use fee and meals. The student may apply to make up a module in a future training with an approved Trainer other than Mary/Tara. In this case, payment may be due to the certified Trainer for that module.

Completion Requirements: The Student is reminded that he/she must have attended all of the nine modules: Module A and Modules 1-8 in order to meet the requirement for the Completion certificate to be issued in line with item 4, ‘Completion Certificate’ of this Contract. The Student can complete up to one missed module by watching the videos, practicing the exercises and presenting a write up of their learning process. Thus, if a student makes up a module in the next training, he/she will graduate after doing so.

**17) Dropping out of the Training/Dropping Back to the Next Training Group**

* 1. a) In the unforeseen event that the Student must drop out of the training after completing 3 modules, the Student may apply to join the next training group where he/she left off on a space available basis. Alternatively, the student may apply to take a future training from the beginning.
	2. b) If the Student rejoins the next or any future training, he/she does so committing to the training curriculum, cost and requirements for graduation that exist at that time.
	3. c) If the Student drops out of this training, he/she forfeits the non-refundable deposit. If the student drops out before starting, he/she may request a refund for the 2nd deposit. If the Student has paid in advance for modules not attended, he/she may request a refund for any money paid for modules not attended. If a student misses a module, continues with the next module, then drops out, what will be owed will include the missed module between modules taken.
	4. d) If the student drops out before paying in full for the 2 deposits plus $1249 / $1199 per module attended in whole or in part, then that money is due and begins accruing interest at 1% per month calculated beginning from the day the payment was due.

**18) Taking Another Training**

The Student who drops out as well as the Student who completes the training may apply to retake the whole training with a later training group. Acceptance is guaranteed only if the reason for dropping out was a pregnancy or birth in other cases, acceptance will be considered.

**19) Location**

Module A will be held on zoom. Modules 1-8 will meet at **Sane Living Center, 316 Matilija Street, Ojai, CA, 93023.** We have a contract with Sane Living Center for the whole training. If this space becomes unavailable for any reason, we will meet at a different location, preferably in Ojai, CA.

**20) Who to Contact:** The work has been split in order to allow us to work as an effective team. In the event that the Student needs to contact someone, please direct the enquiry as follows:

Contact **Sandra Castellino** **(sandra@castellinotraining.com) 805 687-2897** for enquiries

related to:

Accommodations

This Contract

Other logistical information

Financial arrangements

Payment by check

Payment for all training modules A and 1-8.

Contact **Mary Jackson (****mjmidwife@gmail.com****) or Tara Blasco (tarablasco@gmail.com )**

for enquiries related to:

Training Content

Your own process

Supervision

**21) Sales by Students**

* + Any Student or Assistant who wishes to sell anything at any training module must first clear this with Sandra Castellino
	+ This includes sales available to all students/assistants and sales to one other person. Sales will be done in such a way as to not require any work from assistants and to not disrupt the training.

**22) Videos viewable by advanced graduates for training purposes**

The trainings will be videotaped. By signing this contract, you are agreeing to be videotaped and for the videos to be used by graduates training to offer trainings.

* + - * 1. **Signatures of Agreement - I have read the whole contract and commit to doing everything required.**

Print Your Name………………………………………………………………………..

**Signature** ……………………………………………………… **Date** ……………………

**Please sign and date and return the last page as an attached file to sandra@castellinotraining.com, with 'student contract - your name' as the subject. This can be done by printing the page, signing it, scanning it and emailing to Sandra. Alternatively, you may sign and snail mail the last page.**