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Extension Seminar in Paediatrics - The first 1000 days of life

Preliminary program

Self-paced learning package: available from Friday 14 February 2025

Topic and presenter	Learning objectives
Pharmaceutics in paediatrics and neonates Dr Kate O'Hara, Vice-President, AdPha; Deputy Service Manager - Clinical, John Hunter Hospital, Newcastle, NSW	 Assess suitability of medication for prem neonate Consider neonate-specific issues when compounding
Premature babies: outcomes and challenges Dr Srinivas Bolisetty, Medical Co-Director – Newborn Care, Royal Hospital for Women, Sydney, NSW	 Understand the most likely complications for babies affected by premature birth, and long- term impact of these complications Describe developmental issues which are common in children born prematurely
Newborn testing and recent changes, principles for newborn testing Dr Kathryn Leadbeater, Advanced trainee, Paediatrics, John Hunter Hospital, Newcastle, NSW	 Describe the process for newborn screening, Understand the rationale for early intervention for rare diseases Discuss conditions which are screened in Australia
Metabolic conditions – case presentation Dr Kaustuv Bhattacharya; Metabolic Paediatrician, Genetic Metabolic Disorders Service; Conjoint Senior Lecturer, University of Sydney, NSW	 Definition of inborn errors of metabolism Overall scheme of acute metabolic conditions Case presentation of an acute metabolic condition Pharmacological and clinical management of acute conditions Broader view of alternative therapies including enzyme replacement, gene therapy and organ transplantation



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Live virtual seminar: Saturday 22 March 2025

All times are listed in AEST

Time (AEST)	Session	Learning objectives
0850- 0900	Online login and registration available	
0900- 0910	Welcome and introductions	
0910- 0930	Review of online learning content and Q&A Led by Michelle Jenkins, Pharmacist Manager, Paediatrics and Production, John Hunter Children's Hospital, Newcastle, NSW	
0930- 1015	Presentation 1: NICU baby with complex problems Presented by: Dr Amber Seigel, <i>Neonatal and</i> <i>Paediatric Emergency Transport Service Retrieval</i> <i>Staff Specialist, NSW Health, NSW</i>	 Describe the key steps in assessing a premature baby with multiple medical problems Explain how gestational age affects medication choices and dosing in premature babies Apply current NICU and clinical guidelines to select appropriate medications for premature babies Determine when and how clinical guidelines need to be modified for complex cases
1015- 1100	Case session 1: NICU baby - Part 1 Led by: Rebecca O'Grady, Specialist Neonatal ICU and Paediatric Pharmacist, Royal North Shore Hospital, NSW	 Describe the most common complications for babies affected by premature birth including bronchopulmonary dysplasia (BPD), pulmonary hypertension and patent ductus arteriosus (PDS) Explain the treatment of early and late sepsis in neonates Describe necrotising enterocolitis (NEC) Explain the prevention, long term outcomes and treatment of NEC
1100- 1115	Break	
1115- 1145	Growth and development over the first 1,000 days	 Understanding the major domains of growth and development in children



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	Dr Kathryn Leadbeater, Advanced trainee, Paediatrics, John Hunter Hospital, Newcastle, NSW	 Importance of early intervention in a gen paeds context Describe the impact of adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) on outcomes in children
1145- 1215	Case session 1: NICU baby - Part 2 Led by: Rebecca O'Grady, Specialist Neonatal ICU and Paediatric Pharmacist, Royal North Shore Hospital, NSW	 Describe the most common complications for babies affected by premature birth including bronchopulmonary dysplasia (BPD), pulmonary hypertension and patent ductus arteriosus (PDS) Explain the treatment of early and late sepsis in neonates Describe necrotising enterocolitis (NEC) Explain the prevention, long term outcomes and treatment of NEC
1215- 1245	Presentation 2: RSV comparison of states with vs without nirsveimab in 2024 Presented by: Dr Coen Butters, <i>General</i> <i>Paediatrician and Paediatric Infectious Diseases</i> <i>Physician, John Hunter Children's Hospital, NSW</i>	 Overview the epidemiology of RSV infection in infants during their first 1000 days of life Describe the impact of RSV on healthcare systems and the community Explain the role and impact of nirsveimab in RSV Compare this impact to State/Territory locations without nirsveimab access Describe the projected benefits of Australia-wide nirsevimab implementation
1245- 1315	Break	
1315- 1415	Endocrinology in the first 1,000 days of life Presented by: A/Prof Patricia Crock, <i>Conjoint</i> <i>Professor School of Medicine and Public Health,</i> <i>The University of Newcastle, NSW</i>	 Describe treatment of hypopituitism in newborn babies Describe treatment of thyroid disorders in babies and children Explain neonatal hypoglycaemia and usual treatment
1415- 1445	Perinatal infections Presented by: Dr Joanne McIntosh, Staff Specialist Neonatologist NICU, John Hunter Children's Hospital, Newcastle, NSW	 Describe common infections affecting neonates, and their usual treatment Identify signs and management of newborn sepsis, including early and late onset Apply antimicrobial stewardship principles to paediatric antibiotic use
1445- 1500	Break	



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	Case session 2: Perinatal infections	
1500-	Led by Michelle Jenkins, Pharmacist Manager,	
1530	Paediatrics and Production, John Hunter	
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	Final Q&A, seminar summary and close	
1530-	Led by Michelle Jenkins, Pharmacist Manager,	
1545	Paediatrics and Production, John Hunter	
	Children's Hospital, Newcastle, NSW	
1545	Seminar close	