

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM BROCHURE



Learning Objectives

The 2024 CNS Scientific Program

The CNS Scientific Program is designed for all people interested in childhood-onset neurological and neurodevelopmental conditions, including those interested in clinical care, research advances, and leadership opportunities in this field.

Accreditation Statement

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the accreditation requirements and policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint providership of the Minnesota Medical Association (MMA) and before is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

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New This Year–

Learning Tracks and Learning Formats!

Enhance your Annual Meeting experience with our **Learning Tracks**. Sessions are categorized into a specific track, allowing you to dive deep into your areas of interest. Choose from *Clinical Practice*, *Research Advances*, or *Leadership and Career Development* to tailor your learning journey.

Our sessions are also divided into three **Learning Formats**. Each Seminar can be given as a *Didactic Seminar* with traditional lectures or as a *Discussion Seminar* with panels and audience interaction throughout the session. Each *Workshop* relies on small-group discussion to facilitate interactive learning. You can choose the formats that best fit your learning style.

Clinical Practice

Explore data-driven summaries on the latest approaches to diagnosing and managing pediatric neurologic conditions. Learn about the strength of the supporting data and gain insights through illustrative case discussions.

Seminar 1: Genetic Testing: Essential Skills for Daily Practice (*Discussion*)

Seminar 4: Caring for a Person with Cerebral Palsy from Infancy to Adulthood (*Discussion*)

Seminar 7: The Effect of Global Socio-Cultural Factors on Child Neurology Care (*Didactic*)

Seminar 10: Restoring Function: Management of Functional Neurologic Disorders (*Didactic*)

Workshop #3: Diagnostic Challenge: Mimickers of Neuroinflammatory Diseases

Research Advances

Delve into the latest cutting-edge research and discover how these advancements might transform pediatric neurologic care. Topics span basic science, translational neuroscience, clinical research, and public health research, with a focus on future applications in the field.

Seminar 3: Clinical Registry Implementation: The How-To and the Value (*Didactic*)

Seminar 6: Bridging Academia and Industry to Advance Precision Medicine (*Didactic*)

Seminar 9: Cerebellar Contributions to Neurodevelopment (*Didactic*)

Seminar 12: Untangling the Impact of Social Stress on Early-life Brain Injury (*Didactic*)

Workshop #1: FDA 101: The Lifecycle of Drug Development in Pediatric Neurology

Workshop #4: Clinical Trial Readiness for Rare Neurological Diseases

Leadership and Career Development

Engage in discussions about leadership opportunities, career development, and diverse career paths tailored to various career stages and practice types. Get valuable guidance to advance your professional journey.

Seminar 2: The Clinician-Educator Path for Child Neurologists (*Didactic*)

Seminar 5: Harnessing Technology for Career Growth and Development (*Discussion*)

Seminar 8: Addressing Gender Disparities in Academic Child Neurology (*Discussion*)

Seminar 11: View from the Top: Hiring, Salary, and Promotion in Academia (*Discussion*)

Workshop #2: How YOU can find NIH funding opportunities (on your Phone)!

Workshop #5: Reviewing Manuscripts: What, When, Why, and How

7:30 AM - 5:00 PM

The 9th Annual John M. “Jack” Pellock Resident Seminar on Epilepsy

Note: Pre-registration is required.

8:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Symposium I: CNF Symposium: Caring for Children with Medical Complexity

Supported by the Child Neurology Foundation

DESCRIPTION

The current healthcare system is organized for adults and acute care. Children living with medical complexity do not “fit” into the system; hence, the inherent stress on families and clinicians. Families and children fall through the cracks because of a lack of care coordination and support from the medical system, and physicians are left feeling burnt out and struggling to provide the highest quality of care. This symposium aims to define the challenges of caring for children with medical complexity, provide opportunities to connect and talk openly about these challenges, and discuss innovative solutions. Insights will be presented from the perspectives of patients, caregivers, and medical providers.

ORGANIZER

M. Scott Perry, MD
Cook Children's

SPEAKERS AND PANELISTS

Welcome

M. Scott Perry, MD
Cook Children's

Patient and Caregiver Perspective: What You Want Your Providers to Know

Christina Vargas, parent
Pre-recorded video

Activity

M. Scott Perry, MD
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Clinical Methods of Providing Complex Care

John R. Mytinger, MD
Nationwide Children's Hospital

Using Technology to Make Caring Easier

Anne Marie Morse, DO, FAASM
Geisinger Health System

Innovative Programs: Finding Limited Resources

Jessica Nickrand, PhD
Child Neurology Foundation

Monika Jones, JD, CNP
Pediatric Epilepsy Surgery Alliance

Preparing for Transition of Care

Ahmed T. Abdelmoity, MD, FAAP, FAES
Children's Mercy, Kansas City

Jean-Baptiste Le Pichon, MD, PhD, FAAP
Children's Mercy, Kansas City

Case Study Scenarios

M. Scott Perry, MD
Cook Children's

Closing Remarks

M. Scott Perry, MD
Cook Children's

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

As a result of this educational session, participants will:

- Better understand the challenges faced by patients with medical complexities in a variety of scenarios.
- Be empowered to incorporate innovative solutions to caring for children with medical complexity into their practice.

IMPACT STATEMENT

This educational session helped me to identify changes I could make in my practice related to:

- The use of technology for caring for children with medical complexity.
- Transitioning the care of children with medical complexity.

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11:30 AM – 1:30 PM

Kenneth F. Swaiman CNS Legacy Luncheon

Awards Presented

Arnold P. Gold Foundation Humanism in Medicine Award

*Dave F. Clarke, MBBS, ABPN, ABCN, FAES
Dell Medical School, University of Texas at Austin*

Bernard D'Souza International Fellowship Awards

TBA

CNS Training Program Director Award

TBA

Roger and Mary Brumback Lifetime Achievement Award

*Roy D. Elterman, MD
Founder/Treasurer, Pediatric Epilepsy Research
Foundation® (PERF®)*

Donna Ferriero, MD, MS

Distinguished Professor

*Departments of Neurology and Pediatrics
UCSF Weill Institute for Neurosciences*

Bhuwan Garg High School Neuroscience Award

Allison Duh

Taeun Chang Outstanding Junior Member Awards

TBA

Taeun Chang Outstanding Junior Member Post Graduate Awards

TBA

M. Richard Koenigsburger Memorial Scholarship

TBA

AAP Section of Neurology Travel Award/Grant

TBA

1:45 PM – 5:45 PM

Child Neurology/NDD Educator Symposium (formerly PECN)

1:45 PM – 3:15 PM

Part 1: Child Neurology/NDD Educator Updates

Introduction and Agenda

*Nancy Bass, MD
Children's Wisconsin
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Introduction to the Child Neurology Educators Committee (CNEC)

Committee Membership/Working Groups

Match Report/Preference Signaling and the Match Update

*Margie Ream, MD, PhD, FAAN
Nationwide Children's Hospital
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Program Directors Forum

*Danny Rogers, MD, PhD
University of New Mexico*

*Rachel Gotlieb-Smith, MD, MHPE
University of Michigan*

Neurodevelopmental Disabilities Update

*Miya Asato, MD
Johns Hopkins University
Kennedy Krieger Institute*

Genomics Curriculum

*Kuntal Sen, MD, FACMG
Children's National Hospital
GWU School of Medicine and Health Sciences*

Report from Neurology RRC

*Howard Goodkin, MD, PhD
University of Virginia*

CNCDP-K12 Report

*Brad Schlaggar, MD, PhD
Johns Hopkins University
President and CEO Kennedy Krieger Institute*

Minority Research Scholars Program

*Erika Augustine, MD, MS
Johns Hopkins University
Kennedy Krieger Institute*

Updates AAP Section of Pediatric Neurology

*Tim Lotze, MD
Baylor College of Medicine*

Updates AAN Section of Child Neurology

*Donald Gilbert, MD, MS, FAAN, FAAP
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3:15 PM - 5:45 PM

Part 2: Hot Topics in Child Neurology/NDD MedEd

DESCRIPTION

Join us for an engaging session surrounding hot topics in the growing world of child neurology education.

- Discover how competency-based education is revolutionizing the way we approach child neurology training and gain valuable insights into fostering competence and excellence among the child neurologists of the future.
- Explore the thought-provoking discussion on residency unionization, shedding light on its implications for both trainees and educators alike.
- Gain a deeper understanding of the challenges and opportunities presented by this evolving aspect of medical training.

The session will culminate in lively discussions and networking opportunities at our multiple speed-networking tables, where attendees will have the chance to connect with experts in residency education. Take advantage of this unique platform to pose questions, exchange ideas, and forge meaningful connections with fellow attendees and leaders in academic education. Tables will be topic-centered to include unique considerations for the small training program, tips for starting a neurodevelopmental disabilities program, residency director pearls, and wellness initiatives.

Whether you're a seasoned professional or just starting your journey into academic education, our session offers something for everyone. Do not miss this invaluable opportunity to expand knowledge, exchange perspectives, and connect with peers at the forefront of child neurology education. Join us and be part of the conversation shaping the future of our field.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

As a result of this educational session, participants will be able to:

- Define competency-based medical education (CBME) and understand the current status of implementation of CBME in child neurology
- Analyze the potential benefits and challenges associated with residency unionization from the perspective of the resident, faculty, institution, and healthcare system.

- Describe solutions to educational leadership challenges that have been successfully implemented at a variety of institutions.

IMPACT STATEMENT

This educational session helped me to identify changes I could make in my practice related to:

- Identify changes I could make in my current training programs related to implementation of competency-based medical education.
- Gain an understanding of the advantages, disadvantages, and healthcare-system-level impact of resident unionization.
- Identify potential solutions to common education leadership challenges, such as supporting resident wellness and completing annual ACGME requirements, that have been successfully implemented at other programs and consider how these could be adapted to benefit my own program.

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Margie Ream, MD, PhD, FAAN
Nationwide Children's Hospital
Ohio State University College of Medicine

SPEAKERS AND PANELISTS

ACGME Competency Based Education

Kathryn Xixis, MD
University of Virginia

Residency Unionization

Rachel Gottlieb-Smith, MD, MHPE
University of Michigan

Medley of MedEd Hot Topics: Speed Networking

Table 1: Trials and Tribulations of the Small Training Program

Adam Wallace, MD
University of Wisconsin

Nancy Bass, MD
Medical College of Wisconsin

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Table 2: Starting a Neurodevelopmental Disability Program

Miya Asato, MD
John Hopkins University
Kennedy Krieger Institute

Anuja Jindal, MD, MPH
Rady Children's Hospital
University of California San Diego

Table 3: Residency Director Pearls

Meeryo Choe, MD, FAAN
UCLA Division of Pediatric Neurology

Margie Ream, MD, PhD, FAAN
Nationwide Children's Hospital
Ohio State University College of Medicine

Table 4: Wellness and Team Building Initiatives

Aimee Sato, MD
Seattle Children's/UW Medicine

Robert Thompson Stone, MD, FAAN
University of Rochester Medical Center

Medical Student Networking Session

2:00 PM - 7:30 PM

Exhibits and Poster Review

3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Workshop #1: FDA 101: The Lifecycle of Drug Development in Pediatric Neurology

TRACK

Research Advances

DESCRIPTION

Pediatric neurology is in a new era of novel therapeutic discovery. The number of investigational new drugs (INDs) being evaluated is growing rapidly, with >1000 actively enrolling interventional studies for children with neurologic disorders, per clinicaltrials.gov. It is critical for the pediatric neurology community to understand how drugs are developed, evaluated, and approved so they can be informed participants and drivers of high-impact

clinical trials to improve care for these patients. This workshop will include dynamic case-based discussions of recent approvals in pediatric neurology as a framework to elucidate the lifecycle of drug development from the perspectives of physicians at FDA who review INDs and new drug applications, and from an academic pediatric neurologist designing clinical trials testing novel therapeutics. Participants will be able to ask questions about the role of FDA and process of drug development, with the overall aim to highlight the growing need for education and experience with evaluation of novel medical products to maximize potential for scientific progress and bring safe and effective therapies to children with neurologic disease.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

As a result of this educational session, participants will be able to:

- Define the role of FDA in drug development.
- Describe clinical trial design and regulatory considerations for evaluating novel therapeutics

IMPACT STATEMENT

This educational session helped me to identify changes I could make in my practice related to:

- The evaluation of novel therapeutics for patients with neurologic disease.
- Participation in clinical trials for patients with neurologic disease.

ORGANIZER

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4:15 PM - 5:15 PM

Workshop #2: **How YOU Can Find NIH Funding Opportunities** **(On Your Phone)!**

TRACK

Leadership and Career Development

DESCRIPTION

Have you ever wondered how to navigate tons of web pages to find the most appropriate NIH funding opportunities? Would you like an NIH staff person to walk you through the process of finding funding opportunities for your next grant application, particularly those relevant to your specific career and research interests and goals? Do you know that there are funding opportunities specifically designed to increase the diversity of the neuroscience workforce? Do you have an interest in health disparities and equity research in pediatric neurology? How about global pediatric neurology research?

Please join this skills session, where NIH staff will walk you through the process of finding funding opportunities. This information is useful at all career stages. The workshop will be run in small groups (at tables), where a team of NIH program Directors will show you, using your laptop or cell phone, how to make your searches more efficient and targeted to your career and research goals. You will walk away with useful web pages in your search history or bookmarks. Tables will be topic-specific, but there will be time for at least three rotations to different tables. Topics will include general NIH funding opportunities and helpful new grant-related websites, training grants and workforce diversity, research networks, and health disparities/global health.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

As a result of this educational session, participants will be able to:

- Use the NINDS website to search for relevant funding opportunities and other critical information about submitting grants to NINDS (relevant to themselves, their mentors, and their trainees) with greater efficiency.
- Know where to access helpful information about aspects of grant submission, including timelines, review process, and funding decisions.

- Access information and guidance about recent NIH initiatives to promote diversity, equity, and inclusion in researchers and participants.

IMPACT STATEMENT

This educational session helped me to identify changes I could make in my practice related to:

- Using the NINDS website to search for funding opportunities (relevant to me, my mentors, and my trainees) with greater efficiency and relevance, increasing my ability to submit more NIH-targeted and focused grant applications.
- Understanding recent NIH initiatives to incorporate research methods and personnel that address diversity, equity, and inclusion gaps, particularly for groups identified as experiencing health disparities, thus increasing the inclusion of diverse backgrounds in the neuroscience workforce while supporting the next generation of investigators and enhancing my ability to propose research topics that reflect the national and global disease burdens.

ORGANIZER

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6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

Welcome Reception

8:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Movement Disorder Video Rounds

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Symposium II: Presidential Symposium: Childhood Neuromuscular Disorders: A New Landscape and a Vision for the Future

DESCRIPTION

This symposium will provide an advanced look at recent and future developments in the diagnosis and treatment of neuromuscular disorders in childhood, with a particular focus on inherited diseases of skeletal muscle. The field of neuromuscular disorders has been transformed in recent years by numerous new therapies and diagnostic technologies, and innovation continues at an exuberant pace. The target audience includes practicing child neurologists, trainees, allied health professionals, and scientists. The course will begin with a review of recently approved therapies, selected clinical trials, and cutting-edge diagnostic approaches. Next will come an overview of the Muscular Dystrophy Coordinating Committee's vision for future research. As the course delves deeper into therapeutic development, it will then demonstrate the arc of preclinical therapeutic development, clinical trial readiness, IND submission, and clinical trial conduct, using examples from specific neuromuscular disorders. Ethical issues will be discussed in research and clinical contexts, as well as the role of evidence-based approaches to medical decision-making. By the end of the session, attendees will know current practices in pediatric neuromuscular medicine, understand how novel therapies are developed, and see how novel therapies and novel clinical practices could develop in the future.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

As a result of this educational session, participants will be able to:

- Be familiar with novel therapies for neuromuscular disorders that have been recently approved by the FDA.
- Learn about strategies to overcome challenges in preclinical development, regulatory filings, and clinical trials for pediatric neuromuscular disorders.

IMPACT STATEMENT

This educational session helped me to identify changes I could make in my practice related to:

- Prescribing novel neuromuscular therapies and counseling families regarding different stages of research participation.
- The use of evidence-based approaches to therapeutic selection and implementation.

ORGANIZER

Peter B. Kang, MD, FAAN, FAAP
University of Minnesota

SPEAKERS AND PANELISTS

Recently Approved Therapies and Those in Advanced-Stage Clinical Trials

Hugh J. McMillan, MD, MSc
Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario

New Approaches to Neuromuscular Diagnosis

Peter B. Kang, MD, FAAN, FAAP
University of Minnesota

The Muscular Dystrophy Coordinating Committee's Action Plan for the Muscular Dystrophies

Glen Nuckolls, PhD
National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke

The Convergence of Preclinical and Clinical Trial Readiness Studies in Collagen VI-related Muscular Dystrophy

A. Reghan Foley, MD
National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke

Preclinical Therapy Development and Clinical Trial Results for X-linked Myotubular Myopathy

Jim Dowling, MD, PhD
Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto

Navigating Two Major Hurdles in Therapeutic Development: IND Submissions and Ethical Issues

Megan A. Waldrop, MD
Nationwide Children's Hospital

An Evidence-based Approach to Clinical Decision- Making in Pediatric Neuromuscular Disorders

Maryam Oskoui, MD, MSc
McGill University, Montreal, Quebec

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10:30 AM -11:00 AM

Martha Bridge Denckla Award Lecture

Shafali Jeste, MD
Las Madrinas Chair and Chief, Division of Neurology
Co-Director, Neurological Institute
Professor of Neurology and Pediatrics
USC Keck School of Medicine

11:15 AM - 12:15 PM

Workshop #3: Diagnostic Challenge: Mimickers of Neuroinflammatory Diseases

TRACK

Clinical Care

DESCRIPTION

Autoimmune encephalitis and other neuroinflammatory diseases are increasingly recognized in children. However, other mimickers of neuroinflammatory diseases are rare and can be overlooked. The differential diagnosis can be broad for children who present with symptoms of developmental regression, cognitive changes, and new onset psychiatric symptoms. These diagnoses can include genetic disorders, inborn errors of metabolism, infections, autoimmune encephalitis, and psychiatric disorders. We will discuss the diagnostic evaluation for suspected autoimmune encephalitis along with illustrative cases to help guide clinicians in approaching a patient with suspected autoimmune encephalitis and recognizing and diagnosing alternate diagnoses.

Careful and comprehensive diagnostic evaluation is necessary for children with suspected autoimmune encephalitis, as is improving understanding of diagnostic testing, including interpretation of results to help guide diagnosis and management. This topic is relevant to all child neurologists, as due to the increased recognition of autoimmune neuroinflammatory diseases, practitioners will encounter patients with suspected autoimmune encephalitis.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

As a result of this educational session, participants will be able to:

- Evaluate a patient with suspected neuroinflammation.
- Recognize when to evaluate for other conditions that can mimic neuroinflammatory diseases.

IMPACT STATEMENT

This educational session helped me to identify changes I could make in my practice related to:

- Diagnostic studies in children with suspected neuroinflammatory diseases.
- Understanding pearls and pitfalls in ancillary test results for neuroinflammation and red flags for a non-neuroinflammatory condition.

ORGANIZER

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Emory University
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University of Utah

Lydia Marcus, MD
University of Alabama-Birmingham

Varun Kannan, MD
Emory University School of Medicine
Children's Healthcare of Atlanta

Introduction

Approach to suspected autoimmune encephalitis:

Case 1: A teenage girl with altered mental status and anorexia: Cobalamin C deficiency

Case 2: Mimicker of ADEM - Aicardi Goutieres Syndrome

Case 3: POLG presenting as NORSE

Case 4: TBD

Discussion and Questions

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11:15 AM - 12:15 PM

Workshop #4: **Clinical Trial Readiness for Rare Neurological Diseases**

TRACK

Research Advances

DESCRIPTION

The advancement of precision therapies hinges upon the expanding capabilities of genetic testing, a deeper understanding of disease mechanisms, and a systematic approach to the natural history of rare neurological diseases in children. In this seminar, we delve into the intricate landscape of investigator-initiated gene therapy development, with a specific focus on the critical aspect of clinical trial readiness. Clinical trial readiness stands as a pivotal milestone, beginning with a thorough understanding of disease natural history that then enables the selection and development of clinical research tools essential for designing efficient clinical trials. We aim to demystify this concept by providing a comprehensive checklist and engaging in discussions, drawing from the collective expertise of our speakers who possess firsthand experience in rare neurological disorders. Through the lens of conditions such as AADC deficiency, giant axonal neuropathy, and hereditary spastic paraplegia, we will navigate the challenges encountered in the pursuit of clinical trial readiness. This includes 1) defining the phenotypic spectrum through cross-sectional analyses in a geographically dispersed patient population, 2) opportunities to learn from 'extreme' phenotypes, 3) understanding patient and caregiver priorities, 4) designing and creating critical resources for longitudinal natural history studies, 5) using natural history data to inform the therapeutic window and endpoints in interventional studies, 6) maximizing learnings from first-in-human phase 1/2 studies, and 7) expanding to pivotal studies and other avenues for sustained access to therapy and continued evaluation. Our session goes beyond theoretical discourse, offering a practical framework for establishing clinical trial readiness. We explore how child neurologists specializing in rare diseases can leverage these principles to enhance both clinical care and research. We look forward to lively discussions as we portray the complexities of this

field, highlight the value of clinical expertise, empower participants, and work towards advancements in the treatment of rare neurological disorders.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

As a result of this educational session, participants will be able to:

- Define clinical trial readiness for rare neurological diseases.
- Identify key challenges in the development of gene therapies for rare neurogenetic and neurodegenerative diseases.

IMPACT STATEMENT

This educational session helped me to identify changes I could make in my practice related to:

- Identifying changes in rare neurological diseases.
- The developing clinical outcome measures for rare neurological diseases.

ORGANIZER

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11:15 AM - 12:15 PM

Workshop #5: Reviewing Manuscripts: What, When, Why, and How

TRACK

Leadership and Career Development

DESCRIPTION

The session will begin with a brief introduction to reviewing manuscripts, followed by a moderated panel discussion with editors from each of the major child neurology journals. The session will conclude with a small-group, hands-on activity in which participants will do a group review of a sample manuscript. Participants will be provided with a helpful packet of review resources to take home.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

As a result of this educational session, participants will be able to:

- Explain why publishing papers and peer review are important.
- Have a systematic approach to peer review a manuscript.

IMPACT STATEMENT

This educational session helped me to identify changes I could make in my practice related to:

- When and how to submit a manuscript.
- When and how to perform peer review,

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11:30 AM - 7:00 PM

Exhibits and Poster Review

12:30 PM - 1:45 PM

Guided Abstract Tour #1

2:00 PM - 3:15 PM

Seminar 1: Genetic Testing: Essential Skills for Daily Practice

TRACK AND FORMAT

Clinical Care, Discussion Format

DESCRIPTION

The convergence of discoveries in neurotherapeutics, advances in genomic sequencing, and limited access to medical genetics expertise has created an imperative for both practicing and in-training child neurologists to incorporate genetics into their daily clinical toolbox. Despite this imperative, most child neurologists have limited genetics training, hindering their ability to care for patients and teach and mentor current residents to order and interpret genetic tests and counsel families. This seminar will address this gap based on the results of two recent surveys (Sen et al., PMID: 35656773; Gottlieb-Smith et al., PMID: 38217941) categorizing child neurologists' educational needs and best models for developing a national neurogenetics curriculum.

With guidance from Child Neurology Society leadership, a group of dual-trained neurogeneticists and pediatric neurologists with expertise in rare disorders developed 15 case-based, interactive neurogenetics

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learning modules to be distributed to CNS membership. These modules are designed to be delivered by child neurology facilitators, including those with limited neurogenetics expertise. In this pilot seminar, faculty moderators with complementary expertise will help attendees develop their neurogenetics toolbox.

After a brief presentation covering basic genomic testing terminology and high-yield resources for test interpretation, moderators will guide attendees in small groups to apply these skills to two clinical modules. Learning objectives will include strategies and best practices for genetic testing and variant interpretation.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

As a result of this educational session, participants will be able to:

- Utilize genetic counseling for pre- and post-test counseling when ordering genetic tests, gene panel, chromosomal microarray, and exome and whole genome sequencing.
- Design a clinical phenotyping approach and genetic testing strategy for epilepsy and movement disorders.
- Distinguish different modes of inheritance (X-linked, autosomal recessive, autosomal-dominant, mitochondrial), demonstrate how to obtain a detailed family history, and construct a pedigree.
- List various criteria by which genetic variants are classified, per American College of Medical Genetics guidelines.
- Compare and contrast the methods and limitations of different genetic tests.
- Use OMIM, ClinVar, GeneReviews, Varsome, and other websites to interpret genetic variants.

IMPACT STATEMENT

This educational session helped me to identify changes I could make in my practice related to:

- Facilitating a learner-centered, interactive, case-based, neurogenetics education module
- Selection of gene testing modalities
 - o Genetic variant interpretation
 - o Pre- and post-test counseling
 - o Utilizing online resources and experts in neurogenetics

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2:00 PM - 3:15 PM

Seminar 2: The Clinician-Educator Path for Child Neurologists

TRACK

Leadership and Career Development, Didactic Format

DESCRIPTION

Despite being essential to the field of child neurology, the clinician-educator career path is often poorly understood and undervalued in contrast to other career paths, such as clinician-teacher or clinician-investigator. This seminar, tailored to academic child neurologists in the early to mid-career stages, will discuss the clinician-educator pathway, what it entails, and how one goes about

pursuing a career in child neurology education. We will discuss both the challenges and opportunities that exist for child neurology educators, including the specific issue of neurophobia in learners. Toolsets that can be used in education research, such as qualitative methodology and simulation, will also be discussed. With regards to simulation in particular, we will discuss the history of the use of this tool in medical education and will provide a specific evidence-based example of simulation-in-action in pediatric neurology ("The Move"). Finally, Dr. Vidaurre will provide a global perspective by reviewing the challenges of delivering child neurology education in diverse and lower-resourced settings.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

As a result of this educational session, participants will be able to:

- Identify the opportunities and challenges of choosing a career as a clinician educator in child neurology.
- Discuss how to use simulation and online resources in child neurology education, as well as the issues in delivering child neurology education in lower-resource settings.

IMPACT STATEMENT

This educational session helped me to identify changes I could make in my practice related to:

- The issues surrounding child neurology education in high- and low-resource settings.
- Consider the use of simulation in child neurology teaching.

ORGANIZER

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Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario

SCIENTIFIC LIAISON

Nancy Bass, MD
Children's Wisconsin Medical College of Wisconsin

SPEAKERS AND PANELISTS

What is a Clinician Educator in Child Neurology?

Asif Doja MD, MEd, FRCPC, FAAN
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"The Move": An Example of Simulation-Based Education in Child Neurology

Emmanuel Flamand-Roze, MD, PhD
Sorbonne University
AP-HP, Salpetriere hospital
INSERM, CNRS, Paris Brain Institute

Child Neurology Education in Lower-Resource Settings

Jorge Vidaurre, MD
Nationwide Children's Hospital
The Ohio State University

2:00 PM - 3:15 PM

Seminar 3: Clinical Registry Implementation: The How-To and the Value

TRACK AND FORMAT

Research Advances, Didactic Format

DESCRIPTION

Clinical research registries are foundational for advancing clinical practice. Advantages include promoting standardized care and screening practices, outcome tracking for quality improvement initiatives, elucidating the epidemiology of health conditions (particularly for rare conditions), determining disparities in care between different demographic groups, and facilitating clinical trial recruitment and enrollment. Therefore, clinical research registry implementation has both research and clinical benefits. However, implementation of these research registries can be daunting for individual practitioners. Even after implementation, research registries can feel time-consuming to populate.

In this seminar, we will discuss how to implement clinical research registries as a part of routine clinical practice. We will discuss how to adapt the standardized notes and intake assessments from clinical research registries to best fit one's own clinical workflow. We will also discuss how to start your own clinical registry, including resources and funding mechanisms to facilitate this. Our goal is for pediatric neurologists and neurodevelopmentalists to feel compelled and capable of including clinical research registries as a part of their routine clinical practice.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

As a result of this educational session, participants will be able to:

- Describe at least three strategies for implementing clinical research registries in their routine clinical practice.
- Describe at least three examples of how clinical research registry implementation can improve their clinical workflows.

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IMPACT STATEMENT

This educational session helped me to identify changes I could make in my practice related to:

- Implementation of clinical research registries in my routine clinical practice.
- How clinical research registry implementation can improve my clinical workflow.

ORGANIZER

Bhooma Aravamuthan, MD, DPhil
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SCIENTIFIC LIAISON

Renée Shellhaas, MD, MS
Washington University School of Medicine

SPEAKERS AND PANELISTS

Advantages and Limitations of Clinical Registry Research

Zachary Grinspan, MD, MS
Weill Cornell Medicine

Standardizing Care Using a Combination of Local and National Registries

Bhooma Aravamuthan, MD, DPhil
Washington University School of Medicine

Developing a Multi-center Prospective Registry

Grace Gombolay, MD, MSC
Emory University
Children's Healthcare of Atlanta (CHOA)

3:30 PM - 4:45 PM

Seminar 4: Caring for a Person with Cerebral Palsy from Infancy to Adulthood

TRACK AND FORMAT

Clinical Care, Discussion Format

DESCRIPTION

Cerebral palsy (CP) is the most common motor disability across the lifespan and affects up to four of every 1,000 people globally. The care of people with CP requires collaboration across disciplines and frequently involves neurology and orthopedic surgery specialties. The complex medical and surgical management options faced by families of people with CP, particularly noting that current management strategies are based largely on expert opinion, require the active involvement of caregivers in shared medical decision-making. CP has

been increasingly discussed at the Child Neurology Society Annual Meeting in recent years with a focus on diagnostic variability and the need for increased neurologist involvement in management. However, these discussions have been limited to neurology practitioners and do not do justice to the rich realities of multidisciplinary CP care. We propose viewing CP care through the lens of a single hypothetical individual with CP as they age from six months to 25 years. Our panelists, a child neurologist, orthopedic surgeon, and caregiver of an adult with CP, will discuss this hypothetical person's care during multidisciplinary CP center visits as they age. Panelists will be explicit regarding what reflects evidence-based practice vs. consensus expert opinion vs. their own personal expertise. They will also discuss how they would approach shared medical decision-making. At each time point, the audience will be encouraged to ask questions and contribute their perspectives. Our goal is for attendees to understand how care of a person with CP evolves as they age, the value of integrating diverse medical and family perspectives in CP care, and strategies for shared decision-making in CP care.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

As a result of this educational session, participants will be able to:

- Describe how the symptoms of CP evolve across the lifespan.
- Describe how neurologists, orthopedists, and caregivers may approach the care of a person with CP across their lifespan.

IMPACT STATEMENT

This educational session helped me to identify changes I could make in my practice related to:

- Multidisciplinary care of neurodevelopmental disabilities.
- Using shared decision-making strategies to optimize family-centered care.

ORGANIZER

Young-Min Kim, MD
Loma Linda University School of Medicine

SCIENTIFIC LIAISON

Bhooma Aravamuthan, MD, DPhil
Washington University School of Medicine Panelists

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SPEAKERS AND PANELISTS

Heather Riordan, MD
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Hank Chambers, MD
Rady Children's Hospital
University of California at San Diego

Jill Chambers
San Diego, CA

3:30 PM - 4:45 PM

Seminar: 5: Harnessing Technology for Career Growth and Development

TRACK AND FORMAT

Leadership and Career Development, Discussion Format

DESCRIPTION

This course will focus on the effective integration of technology to optimize professional productivity, improve communication, and build networks and connections. Introductory practical insights and strategies for harnessing digital tools and technology across broadly applicable backgrounds and professional goals will be presented. Following this brief introduction, participants will have the opportunity to participate in three of four small-group interactive sessions. These will include: 1) Harnessing Emerging Technology, which will focus on AI use in the professional setting; 2) Digital Productivity Tools; 3) Building Your Network; and 4) Capturing Digital Scholarship for Promotion and Tenure. The session will conclude with an opportunity for gamification, a fun and practical way to apply newly learned skills throughout the remainder of the annual meeting. Participants need a laptop or iPad for full engagement.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

As a result of this educational session, participants will be able to:

- Integrate emerging technologies and digital tools into their daily practice to enhance professional productivity and patient care in child neurology.
- Leverage digital platforms for building professional networks and capturing digital scholarship specific to their unique professional goals, career stages, and practice settings.

IMPACT STATEMENT

This educational session helped me to identify changes I could make in my practice related to:

- The incorporation of digital tools and emerging technologies for my personal and professional productivity.
- The incorporation of digital platforms to build my professional network and capture my digital activities in traditional academic promotion pathways.

ORGANIZER

Kathryn Xixis, MD
University of Virginia

SCIENTIFIC LIAISON

Yasmin Khakoo, MD, FAAN, FAAP
MSK Kids at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center
Weill Cornell Medical College

SPEAKERS AND PANELISTS

Introduction

Jaclyn Martindale, DO
Wake Forest University School of Medicine

Harnessing Emerging Technology

Matthew Gombolay, PhD
Georgia Institute of Technology

Digital Productivity Tools

Jessica Goldstein, MD
University of Minnesota Medical School

Building Your Network

Alison Christy, MD, PhD
Providence Health and Services

Karla Salazar, MD

Baylor College of Medicine

Capturing Digital Scholarship

Kathryn Xixis, MD
University of Virginia

Skill Building Through Gamification, Session Debrief, Q&A

Jeffrey Strelzik, MD
Children's National Medical Center
George Washington University School of
Medicine and Health Sciences

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3:30 PM - 4:45 PM

Seminar 6: Bridging Academia and Industry to Advance Precision Medicine

TRACK AND FORMAT

Research Advances, Didactic Format

DESCRIPTION

The field of child neurology is experiencing unprecedented growth in precision medicine, which is impacting our patient population. As next-generation sequencing identifies more children with neurogenetic conditions, more families with rare diseases are looking to develop new therapies customized to their child's condition. Also, newborn screening has given rise to more patients-in-waiting, prompting further need to optimize biomarkers and therapeutics. The past decade has witnessed approval of several transformative therapies in child neurology. The clinical trials leading up to these approvals were mostly built by bringing multiple stakeholders together and creating joint partnerships between academia and industry. Some clinician-scientists built companies in order to execute trials for disenfranchised communities. In other scenarios, patient advocates raised awareness and facilitated partnerships. Now, commercial approval of gene therapies for spinal muscular atrophy, muscular dystrophies, and leukodystrophies is changing our clinical landscape. Yet many disparities remain and are accentuated by socioeconomic, ethnic, and geographic factors. Recently, the NIH, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), multiple pharmaceutical and life science companies, and nonprofit organizations created a public-private partnership to accelerate drug development. As part of this effort, the Bespoke Gene Therapy Consortium is establishing platforms and standards to speed the development and delivery of gene therapies for millions of people with rare diseases. This seminar will present a variety of different paths to partnerships between academia and industry and perspectives on moving from biological insights to company formation, clinical trialist interactions with industry as well as novel ways to work with NIH and regulatory authorities in the rare disease space. Both opportunities and challenges in resources, access, and scale will be discussed.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

As a result of this educational session, participants will be able to:

- Identify the steps of therapy development that require academia-industry partnership and provide concrete examples thereof.

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- Represent patient perspectives while addressing opportunities and challenges around self-interest in the realm of academia-industry partnership.

IMPACT STATEMENT

This educational session helped me to identify changes I could make in my practice related to:

- Strategic partnerships with industry.
- Engaging with patients in how to access new commercial therapies, clinical trials, anticipated new technology, and disparity in access.

ORGANIZER

Florian Eichler, MD
Massachusetts General Hospital
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SCIENTIFIC LIAISON

Raman Sankar, MD, PhD, FAAN, FAES
David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA

SPEAKERS AND PANELISTS

Partnering to Address Unmet Need: From Patient Plight to Precision Medicine

Florian Eichler, MD
Massachusetts General Hospital
Harvard Medical School

Challenges in Gene Therapy for Neuromuscular Disorders: From Early Development to Commercial Implementation

Anne Connolly, MD, FAAN
Nationwide Children's Hospital
The Ohio State University

Beyond "One Disease at a Time": Therapeutic Platforms to Treat Monogenic Disease

Philip J. Brooks, PhD
Rare Diseases Innovation, NCATS/NIH

5:00 PM - 5:30 PM

CNS Annual Business Meeting

5:00 PM - 6:30 PM

Wine and Cheese Reception

5:30 PM - 7:00 PM

Guided Abstract Tour #2

8:00 AM - 8:15 AM

NS/CNF, PERF, and ACNN Awards

8:15 AM - 8:45 AM

Philip R. Dodge Young Investigator Award Lecture

TBA

8:45 AM - 9:30 AM

Bernard Sachs Award Lecture

Elizabeth C. Engle, MD

*Boston Children's Hospital and Harvard Medical School,
Boston, MA and Howard Hughes Medical Institute,
Chevy Chase MD*

10:00 AM - 11:15 AM

Seminar 7: The Effect of Global Socio-Cultural Factors on Child Neurology Care

TRACK AND FORMAT

Clinical Care, Didactic Format

DESCRIPTION

Socio-cultural anthropology looks at the diversities of human society in time and space, while also searching for commonalities among them. It analyzes local and global links and past and present history to understand current challenges. A systemic global review of felt and enacted stigma in epilepsy by the International League Against Epilepsy determined that the term epilepsy was contributory to both types. Negative attitudes were observed in all reviews, and there was global commonality of causes identified. Health care providers' view of patients and societal stigma in their own country/cultures may give a window into how it may tie to religion, management, and other aspects of epilepsy care. Similar stigma and societal concerns have been identified with cerebral palsy (CP). An approach looking at physical, environmental, psychological, and social factors has revealed a more holistic view of growing up with CP. This may be compounded by fiscal challenges, especially if growing up in a low- or middle-income country. Cultural and linguistic sensitivities may

have direct ramifications on management, morbidity, and mortality. Understanding important socio-cultural nuances is, therefore, an important part of comprehensive neurological care delivery for children. In this seminar, we aim to explore how specific historical, cultural, and societal beliefs have influenced perceptions, understanding of diagnosis, and adherence. Lecture 1: What's in a name: The literal cross-cultural meaning of epilepsy. Lecture 2: Beyond the motor disability: Societal beliefs that influence prognosis and lifestyle of children with cerebral palsy. Lecture 3: Understanding cultural differences in child neurology: Language, communication, and beyond. References: Kwon CS et al. *Epilepsia*. 2022 Mar;63(3):573-597. Hanes et al. *Child Care Health Dev*. 2019 Sep;45(5):613-622. Abdel Malek S, Rosenbaum P, Gorter JW. *Child Care Health Dev*. 2020 Mar;46(2):175-186.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

As a result of this educational session, participants will be able to:

- Demonstrate their understanding of how historical words and cultural beliefs affect present-day neurological management and provide specific examples in both children with cerebral palsy and epilepsy.
- Improve communication considering socio-cultural differences.

IMPACT STATEMENT

This educational session helped me to identify changes I could make in my practice related to:

- Becoming more aware of the impact of socio-cultural differences in the delivery of neurological care.
- Improving communication between physician and patient/family members understanding the specific cultural environment and language barriers.

ORGANIZER

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MODERATOR

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Children's Hospital Research Institute of Manitoba

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SPEAKERS AND PANELISTS

What's in a Name: The Literal Cross-Cultural Meaning of Epilepsy

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Beyond the Motor Disability: Societal Beliefs That Deeply Influence Prognosis and Lifestyle of Children with Cerebral Palsy

Charles K. Hammond, MB, ChB, FWACM, FGCP
Komfo Anokye Teaching Hospital

Understanding Cultural Differences in Child Neurology: Language, Communication, and Beyond

Maria T. Acosta, MD
Children's National Medical Center
ADHD Genetic Study NHGRI, NIH

10:00 AM - 11:15 AM

Seminar 8: Addressing Gender Disparities in Academic Child Neurology

TRACK AND FORMAT

Leadership and Career Development, Discussion Format

DESCRIPTION

Women in academia have historically lagged men by traditional measures of success across specialties. However, the extent and implications of gender gaps remain to be defined in academic child neurology. In Part 1, we will present two studies on gender equity in academic child neurology, conducted by the CNS Research Committee. We compiled data for all board-certified child neurologists between 2000-2020, including gender, geographical location, academic rank, number of publications, and NIH funding. The number of board-certified child neurology diplomates reached gender parity in 2005, with women exceeding men since 2011. Currently, women in academic child neurology outnumber men, and more women than men are assistant professors. However, only 7% of women are full professors, compared to 17% of men. Men had a higher average number of publications than women; yet the H-index of men and women for their publications were similar. Further, we examined how metrics of professional success evolved in academic child neurology, by gender, between 2000-2020. In a follow-up survey- and interview-based study, we are collecting detailed information about factors that positively or negatively impacted careers of academic

child neurologists. Notably, this second study enables inclusion of non-binary or transgender identities, as well as data on racial and ethnic background. In Part 2, study members will facilitate small group discussions about the presented findings and brainstorm next steps for individuals at different career stages, institutions, and national organizations such as CNS. In Part 3, groups will summarize their discussions, with commentary from a panel of experts. The goals of this session are: 1) define the current status of gender equity in academic child neurology, based on data compiled by the CNS Research Committee and 2) identify strategies to help faculty succeed as academic child neurologists.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

As a result of this educational session, participants will be able to:

- Describe gender disparities in academic child neurology, and how these disparities have evolved over the last 20 years.
- Identify ways to address gender disparities in academic success through Child Neurology divisions/ departments, and/or through national organizations like the Child Neurology Society.

IMPACT STATEMENT

This educational session helped me to identify changes I could make in my practice related to:

- Identifying professional gender disparities.
- Implementing strategies to address gender-based disparities and advance my career or that of my colleagues.
- Promoting professional success in academic careers.

ORGANIZER

Juliet Knowles, MD, PhD
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Nomazulu Dlamini, MD, MBBS, MRCPCH, MSc, PhD
Sick Kids University of Toronto

SPEAKERS AND PANELISTS

Gender-based Disparities in Academic Neurology, 2000-2020

Juliet Knowles, MD, PhD
Stanford University School of Medicine

Identifying Critical Factors to Academic Success for Pediatric Neurologists

Angela Hewitt, MD, PhD
University of Rochester Medical Center

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Duriel Hardy, MD
Dell Children's Medical Center
University of Texas at Austin, Dell Medical School

Monica Lemmon, MD
Duke University School of Medicine

Renée Shellhaas, MD, MS
Washington University School of Medicine

Josh Bonkowsky, MD, PhD
Primary Children's Hospital
University of Utah

10:00 AM - 11:15 AM

Seminar 9: Cerebellar Contributions to Neurodevelopment

TRACK AND FORMAT

Research Advances, Didactic Format

DESCRIPTION

In this seminar, we will undertake an exploration of the profound role that cerebellum and cerebellar injury plays in neurodevelopment. From the impact of injury suffered in prematurity to more focal lesions later in life, our speakers will detail how advanced imaging, clinical findings, and model organism-based research have uncovered the intimate relationship between the cerebellum and cortical network structure and function. Attendees will leave with a deeper understanding of one of the most exciting areas of cognitive neuroscience and a new perspective to help frame prognostic discussions.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

As a result of this educational session, participants will be able to:

- Understand the demographics of prematurity, highlighting the racial and socioeconomic vulnerability of this population.
- Critically evaluate the role of cerebellar pathology in predisposing patients to a broad spectrum of neurodevelopmental disability.

IMPACT STATEMENT

This educational session helped me to identify changes I could make in my practice related to:

- Discussions about prognosis in children born prematurely.
- Critically evaluating neurodevelopmental disability in patients with cryptic etiologic work-ups.

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ORGANIZER

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Texas Children's Hospital
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UNC School of Medicine

Ariel Lyons-Warren, MD, PhD
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Texas Children's Hospital

SPEAKERS AND PANELISTS

Preterm Birth and Developmental Cerebellar Cognitive Affective Syndrome
Catherine Limperopoulos, PhD
Children's National Hospital
George Washington School of Medicine

Cerebellar Lesion Location Influences Outcomes
Aaron Boes, MD, PhD
University of Iowa
Carver College of Medicine

Cerebellum and Behavior: Mouse Models of Cerebellar Dysfunction
Jason Gill, MD, PhD
Texas Children's Hospital
Baylor College of Medicine

12:30 PM - 1:45 PM

Seminar 10: Restoring Function: Management of Functional Neurologic Disorders

TRACK AND FORMAT

Clinical Care, Didactic Format

DESCRIPTION

Most child neurologists will encounter Functional Neurologic Disorder. The incidence of this disorder is 18:100,00, and these patients make up to ten percent of new patients in child neurology clinics. We know that the cost of pediatric functional neurological disorder is 75 million dollars in unnecessary hospitalizations and another 13 million in emergency room visits. We also know that many patients with this disorder find their interactions with medical providers dismissive and distressing. It is harder to quantify the impact of the disorder on the patients themselves as there is strikingly little literature on the cost of functional neurologic disorder to the patient in terms of

measures such as school absences, which likely speaks to medical bias these patients face. Despite it being relatively common, many providers find it challenging to diagnose and provide optimal care for affected individuals. There are a variety of factors that contribute to this, including discomfort with communicating the diagnosis in a way that is both understandable and satisfying for patients and families, limited understanding of the treatment for FND, and lack of resources for patients. These all contribute to the scarcity of providers that treat FND and continue to generate health disparities in this population. We aim with this seminar to start closing the gap in access to high quality care for patients with FND. We will begin by reviewing current understanding of the mechanisms underlying functional neurologic symptoms. We will then discuss how to translate this knowledge into an effective, palatable, and therapeutic discussion of the symptoms with patients and common roadblocks to patient acceptance and understanding. We will then discuss and review options for treatment of these symptoms with patients, including finding resources for treatment local to providers.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

As a result of this educational session, participants will be able to:

- Demonstrate the ability to explain the diagnosis and its mechanism in a therapeutic manner.
- Recommend evidence-based treatment of FND.

IMPACT STATEMENT

This educational session helped me to identify changes I could make in my practice related to:

- Delivering the diagnosis of functional neurologic disorder in a patient-friendly, therapeutic manner.
- Recommending evidence-based treatment for FND.

ORGANIZER

Shannon Dean, MD PhD
Kennedy Krieger Institute
Johns Hopkins University

SCIENTIFIC LIAISON

Daniel Freedman, DO
Dell Medical School
UT Health Austin

SPEAKERS AND PANELISTS

Current Understanding of FND Mechanisms

Shannon Dean, MD PhD
Kennedy Krieger Institute
Johns Hopkins University

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Delivering the Diagnosis

Julio F. Quezada, MD
Kennedy Krieger Institute

Evidence-Based Treatment of FND

Gisela Sandoval, MD, PhD
Stanford University

12:30 PM - 1:45 PM

Seminar 11:

View from The Top: Hiring, Salary, and Promotion in Academia

TRACK AND FORMAT

Leadership and Career Development, Discussion Format

DESCRIPTION

Navigating the academic career path can be difficult, particularly without knowing how academic divisions and departments operate within and outside your own institution. Furthermore, it may be intimidating to ask one's own department chair or division chief about hiring practices, salary negotiations, and promotion criteria. In this seminar, we have assembled seasoned division chiefs and department chairs, all child neurologists, from across the country to answer these questions for you. We will solicit questions from the audience anonymously (written on index cards) and ask pre-prepared questions, including:

- *Where is pediatric neurology housed at your institution (Pediatrics/Neurology/stand-alone)?*
- *What are the funding streams that supply this division?*
- *How do you approach hiring?*
- *How do you use conferences like CNS to facilitate that?*
- *How should someone approach you if they're interested in working for you at a conference such as this? How do you determine salaries for your employees?*
- *How do you ensure salaries are equitable?*
- *Describe salary negotiation strategies from prospective employees that you think have been effective.*
- *What are the different professional tracks in your institutions?*

- *How does the pathway to promotion differ between tracks?*
- *How do you ensure transparent and fair communication re: promotions criteria?*
- *How have you developed your hiring practices to ensure a diverse Division/Department?*
- *What's the best way to ask for a raise?*
- *What considerations go into you providing raises?*
- *(For whom it applies) How has being a woman and/or person of color affected your path in academic leadership?*
- *(For all) What mentorship do you provide women, people of color, and those underrepresented in neurology as they navigate academic leadership?*

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

As a result of this educational session, participants will be able to:

- Describe the diversity in pediatric neurology leadership and divisional structures across multiple institutions.
- Describe salary and hiring negotiation strategies that academic leaders have found to be successful.

IMPACT STATEMENT

This educational session helped me to identify changes I could make in my practice related to:

- Approaching my academic leaders for a raise or promotion.
- Optimally operating within my academic institution's funding and organizational structure.

ORGANIZER

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Yoon-Jae Cho, MD
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Oregon Health & Science University

Dalila Lewis, MD, FAAP
Medical University of School Carolina

Madeline Chadehumbe, MD
NeurAbilities Healthcare

12:30 PM - 1:45 PM

Seminar 12: Untangling the Impact of Social Stress on Early-life Brain Injury

TRACK AND FORMAT

Research Advances, Didactic Format

DESCRIPTION

Social determinants of health are amongst the strongest factors associated with developmental outcomes after prenatal and perinatal brain injuries, even when controlling for the severity of the initial injury. Historically, animal models have provided vital insight into mechanisms perturbed by developmental brain injuries, indicating directions for novel therapeutics or interventions. Animal models are also used to learn how social environments affect brain maturation through enriched environments and early adverse conditions. While we recognize animal models cannot fully recapitulate human social circumstances, in this symposium, we will urge that child neurologists be at the forefront of performing translational and mechanistic studies that combine models of developmental brain injuries and early life social environments to uncover novel insights into pathways important for recovery. Participants will learn about the clinical impact of social determinants of health on outcomes of acquired brain injury, current animal models of neonatal brain injury and social stress, and novel high-resolution single-cell molecular tools that promise to unravel the complex effects of acquired brain injuries and social determinants of health.

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LEARNING OBJECTIVES

As a result of this educational session, participants will be able to:

- Recognize that social determinants of health are multi-dimensional and likely modify brain health in children through several mechanisms.
- Appreciate the strengths and limitations of combining animal models of perinatal brain injury with models of early life adversity or enrichment.

IMPACT STATEMENT

This educational session helped me to identify changes I could make in my practice related to:

- Considering how social-environmental factors impact outcomes of my patients
- Interpreting large dataset studies that can be used to study the interaction between environment and recovery from developmental brain injury.

ORGANIZER

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SCIENTIFIC LIAISON

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University of California, San Francisco

MODERATOR

Nomazulu Dlamini, MD, MBBS, MRCPCH, MSc, PhD
Sick Kids
University of Toronto

SPEAKERS AND PANELISTS

Thiviya Selvanathan, MD, PhD
BC Children's Hospital
University of British Columbia

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Children's Hospital of Philadelphia
Perelman School of Medicine at the University of
Pennsylvania

Ana G. Cristancho, MD, PhD
Children's Hospital of Philadelphia
Perelman School of Medicine at the
University of Pennsylvania

2:15 PM – 4:00 PM

Platform Sessions I, II, and III

DESCRIPTION

It is important for all practitioners to stay up to date on the latest and most cutting-edge findings in the field. In these sessions, we will describe the most exciting research findings in our field from the past year that have yet to make it to the published literature. Attendees will get to hear about these findings first, before they hit journals. These findings will cover topics including new treatments or diagnostics, pathophysiology, and assessments of our current practice patterns.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

As a result of this educational session, participants will be able to:

- Give examples of new treatments or diagnostics that may eventually be considered for pediatric neurologic and neurodevelopmental conditions.
- Give examples of the pathophysiology of a subset of pediatric neurologic and neurodevelopmental conditions.
- Give examples of how child neurologists and neurodevelopmentalists currently practice and some suggestions for improvement of current practice.

IMPACT STATEMENT

This educational session helped me to identify changes I could make in my practice related to:

- Integrating new treatments or diagnostics for pediatric neurologic and neurodevelopmental conditions.
- Identify changes I could make in my practice related to optimizing my understanding of the pathophysiology of pediatric neurologic and neurodevelopmental conditions.

4:30 PM – 6:00 PM

Junior Member Forum and Early Career Talks

7:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Closing Gala

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8:00 AM - 8:45 AM

Hower Award Lecture

Renée Shellhaas, MD, MS
Washington University in St Louis, St Louis, MO

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Symposium III: Year in Review

This symposium... include this line: "Abstracts from other professional societies relevant to our membership will also be presented by leaders across organizations."

DESCRIPTION

With new exciting advancements in child neurology in the areas of clinical care, research, new medications, gene therapies, and new technologies, this session provides an overview within different pediatric neurology subspecialties. Recent advancements in the past year will be covered in this symposium by experts in the field, with a focus on studies that are relevant to the general child neurologist. The topics will include epilepsy, neonatal neurology, stroke/neurocritical care, neuroimmunology, neuromuscular, neuro-oncology, diversity/equity/inclusion, movement disorders, headaches, and neurogenetics. Studies will include multi-center consortia and clinical trials. Abstracts from other professional societies relevant to our membership will also be presented by leaders across organizations. This symposium will provide an update on the most relevant and high-impact studies within child neurology.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

As a result of this educational session, participants will be able to:

- Identify high-impact studies that have been published in child neurology in the past year.
- Discuss novel therapies and treatments available for pediatric neurological disorders.

IMPACT STATEMENT

This educational session helped me to identify changes I could make in my practice related to:

- Evidence-based practices for management of pediatric neurological diseases.
- Discussing important studies in pediatric neurology.

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12:15 PM - 4:15 PM

CNS Clinical Research Workshop: Data Quality and Analysis

DESCRIPTION

The Child Neurology Society Clinical Research Workshop began in 2021 in response to a desire for child neurologists to build confidence in conducting clinical research. The workshop is designed to follow a five-year arc, beginning with identifying a gap in the field, study design, and selecting outcome measures. Now in its fourth year, the 2024 clinical research workshop will focus on analyzing data. Topics will include requirements for the new NIH Data Management and Sharing Plan, recommendations on how to store data locally and in national repositories, avoiding common statistical pitfalls in analyzing data, and how to clearly and effectively present data in manuscripts, posters, and presentations. Topic presentations will be followed by a breakout session where participants can bring questions about

their own data to share with the experts. The goal is for each participant to leave the workshop with practical tips and resources for storing, analyzing, and presenting data that they can apply to their own research. Each clinical research workshop is designed to stand alone, and new participants who have not attended previous workshops are encouraged to join.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

As a result of this educational session, participants will be able to:

- Develop a better understanding of how to store and structure their research data to easily meet the new NIH data sharing and management plan requirements.
- Understand common statistical errors made when analyzing data.
- Create clear, effective figures to present their data in manuscripts, posters, and presentations.

IMPACT STATEMENT

This educational session helped me to identify changes I could make in my practice related to:

- Initiating new clinical research projects.
- Meaningful engagement in existing clinical research projects.

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Welcome/Introduction

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Tips for the New NIH Data Management and Sharing Plan

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How to Present Your Data Effectively

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Biomedical Writing Workshop

DESCRIPTION

This four-hour, small-group interactive workshop is designed to help novice medical writers overcome common barriers to successful publication. We review common correctable reasons for manuscript rejection and teach effective techniques for overcoming writer's block. Using text examples, we illustrate techniques and pointers for improving manuscript quality. We teach effective methods to respond to revision requests and interact with journal editors. The session ends with a casual meet-the-editors question-and-answer period featuring several current or former medical editors. Major topics include:

1. Why Manuscripts Are Rejected: Overcoming Barriers to Publication
2. Keeping Things Moving: Combating Writer's Block
3. Creating Better Manuscripts: Less Is Often More
4. Responding to Reviews and Revising Your Manuscript
5. Rules of the Road: Permissions, Consents, and Other Potholes

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

As a result of this educational session, participants will be able to:

- Recognize common reasons for manuscript rejection.
- Know techniques to overcome writer's block.
- Develop strategies to improve manuscript quality.
- More effectively revise manuscripts and respond to reviewers and editors.
- Understand the basic requirements for republication, use of patient materials, and privacy concerns.

IMPACT STATEMENT

This educational session helped me to identify changes I could make in my practice related to:

- Improving the quality of the manuscripts submitted for publication.
- More effectively revising manuscripts following journal peer reviews.

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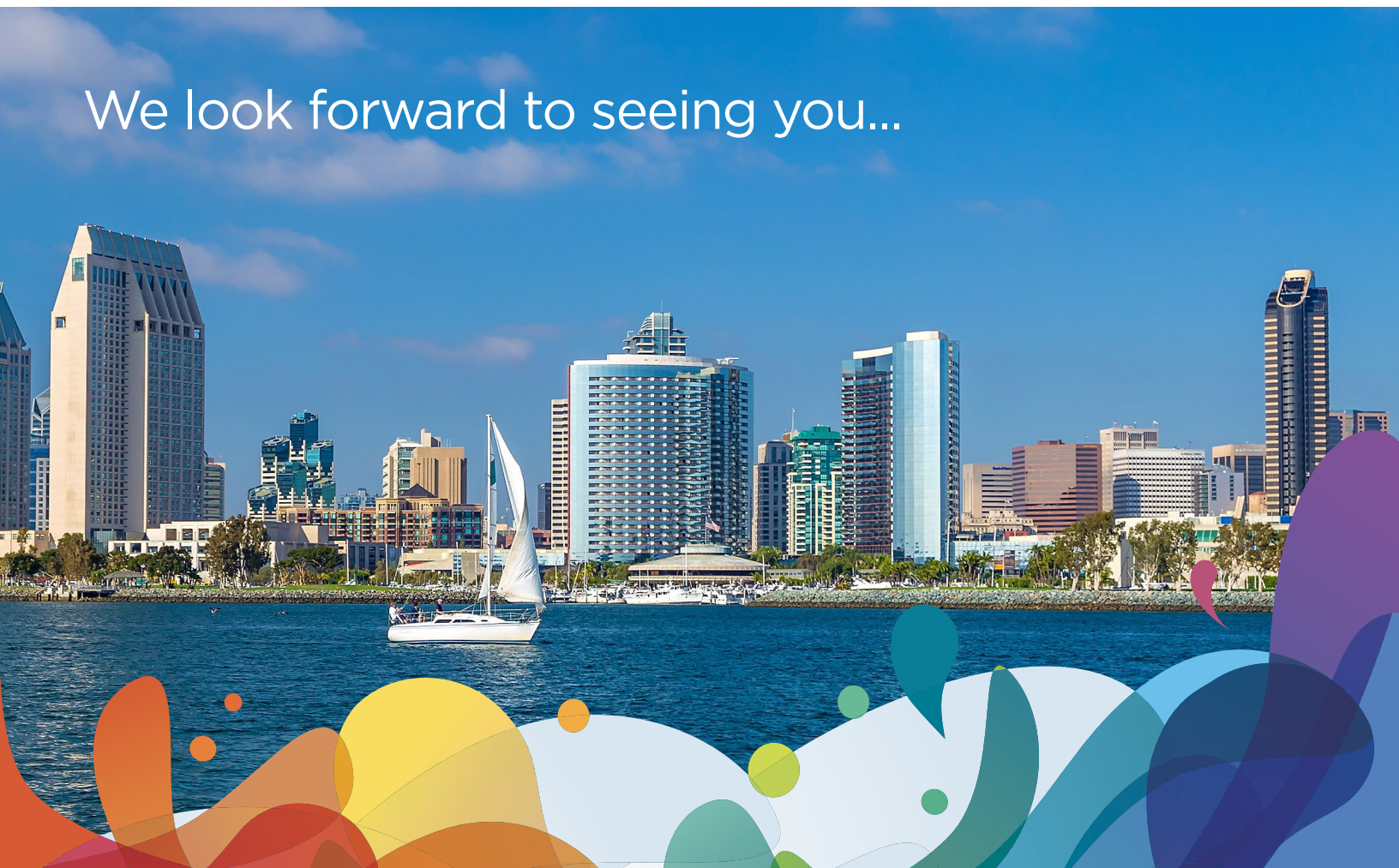


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