



49th Annual American Academy of Pediatrics District VIII SONPM

MAY 28 – 31, 2026 | SKAMANIA LODGE, STEVENSON WA
Transforming Neonatal Care: Integrating Innovation, Technology, and Teamwork



AGENDA DAY 1 – Thursday, May 28th

7:00A – 8:00A	AAP District VIII SONPM Council Meeting Breakfast
8:00A – 1:00P	Poster Set-Up (Options: 8:00am – 1:00pm and/or 4:30pm – 5:00pm)
8:00A – 9:45A	AAP District VIII SONPM Council Meeting
9:45A – 10:15A	BREAK
10:15A – 12:00P	AAP District VIII SONPM Council Meeting
12:00P – 1:00P	Medical Trainee and AAP District VIII SONPM Council Lunch
1:00P – 4:30P	Foundations of Neonatal Point-of-Care Ultrasound: Imaging and Ultrasound-Guided Access Workshop (maximum 40 participants, priority to fellows & trainees) • Leah Downey, M.D., Assistant Professor - Oregon Health & Science University (OHSU) • Belinda Chan, M.D., Associate Professor - University of California Davis Children's Hospital Hands-On AI for Healthcare: Practical Tools, Prompting, and Real-World Applications • James Barry, M.D., Professor of Pediatrics - University of Colorado School of Medicine • Ameena Husain, D.O. - University of Utah • Kelsey Simek, M.D., Assistant Professor - University of Utah
4:30P – 5:00P	Poster Set-Up Complete
5:00P – 6:30P	Poster Session Reception
6:30P – 8:30P	Jerry King Keynote Speaker & Dinner; NRP 9th Edition Updates Satyan Lakshminrusimha , Executive Associate Dean, Professor & Chair - UC Davis Children's Hospital





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AGENDA DAY 2 – Friday, May 29th

7:00A – 8:00A	Breakfast, Welcome, and Morning Announcements	
8:00A – 8:50A	Billing and Coding in Neonatal Care Satyan Lakshminrusimha , Executive Associate Dean, Professor & Chair - UC Davis Children's Hospital	
8:50A – 9:00A	BREAK	
	Innovative Approaches to NICU Quality Improvement & Patient Safety Through Team Collaboration	
9:00A – 9:45A	Advancing Neonatal Care Through Verification: Inside the AAP NICU Verification Program	Colleen Reilly Moss , DNP, APRN, NNP-BC, C-ELBW, Associate Professor and Director, Neonatal Nurse Practitioner Specialty Program - Vanderbilt University School of Nursing; AAP Neonatal Verification Program Surveyor
9:45A – 10:30A	Workforce Challenges	Satyan Lakshminrusimha , Executive Associate Dean, Professor & Chair - UC Davis Children's Hospital
10:30A – 11:15A	Neonatal Hypoglycemia in Practice: Research, Protocol Design, and RN-Driven Implementation	Casey Ward , M.D. - PeaceHealth Riverbend NICU
11:15A – 12:45P	Business Meetings and Lunch	
12:45P – 2:15P	Platform Presentations	
2:15P – 2:45P	BREAK	
	Optimizing Neonatal Outcomes: Extending CPAP in Stable Preterm Infants to Increase Lung Growth and Function	
2:45P – 3:30P	Early Origins of Lung Health: Pulmonary Trajectories, Prematurity, and the Role of CPAP	Cindy McEvoy , M.D., Professor of Pediatrics, Credit Unions for Kids Professor in Pediatric Research - Papé Pediatric Research Institute - Oregon Health & Science University (OHSU)
3:30P – 4:15P	Beyond INSURE: Less-Invasive Surfactant Delivery	Scott Guthrie , M.D., FAAP, Professor of Clinical Pediatrics, Neonatologist and Director for Neonatal Quality, and Research - University of Tennessee Health Science Center, Children's Hospital at Erlanger, Chattanooga, TN
4:15P – 5:00P	SALSA in Neonatal Care: Evidence, Indications, and Hands-On Technique	Kari Roberts , M.D., Professor of Pediatrics - University of Minnesota
5:00P – 6:00P	PERSONAL TIME	
6:00P – 9:00P	Networking Dinner and Entertainment	





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AGENDA DAY 3 – Saturday, May 30th

7:00A – 8:00A	Breakfast, Welcome, and Morning Announcements	
8:00A – 9:00A	Platform Presentations	
	Innovative Telemedicine Strategies: Optimizing Access, Family Partnership, and NICU Support	
9:00A – 9:45A	Bridging the Gap in Newborn Care: The Impact of Neonatal Telemedicine and NNP Support	Stephanie Johnson , NP, Neonatal N.P. - Randall Children's Hospital
9:45A – 10:30A	Home NG Feeding After the NICU: Program Evolution, Outcomes, and Implementation Strategies	Jamie B. Warren , M.D., MPH, FAAP, Professor of Pediatrics, Division of Neonatology - Oregon Health & Science University
10:30A – 10:45A	BREAK	
	Innovating the NICU: AI Predictive Analytics, Parent-Facing Technology, and Team-Centered Care	
10:45A – 11:30A	SeqFirst in Practice: Advancing Genomic Diagnosis Through Early Sequencing	Michael J Bamshad , M.D., Professor and Head, Division of Genetic Medicine, Allan and Phyllis Treuer Endowed Chair in Genetics and Development - Department of Pediatrics - University of Washington & Seattle Children's Hospital
11:30A – 12:15A	Rethinking ROP Screening: Reducing Burden While Preventing Avoidable Blindness	Peter Campbell , M.D., MPH, Professor of Ophthalmology - Casey Eye Institute, Oregon Health & Science University (OHSU)
12:15P – 1:00P	Grab & Go Goodies	
12:15P – 6:00P	Explore & Enjoy Skamania: Take time to relax and experience everything the resort has to offer.	
6:00P – 8:00P	APP Social Happy Hour	





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AGENDA DAY 4 – Sunday, May 31st

7:00A – 8:00A	Breakfast, Welcome, and Morning Announcements	
8:00A – 8:15A	Research Awards	
	Improving Statewide Patient Outcomes: Strengthening Collaboration, Education, and Shared Learning	
8:15A – 8:45A	Stronger Together: Leveraging Statewide Collaboration to Improve Care and Reduce Variation	Wannasiri (Awe) Lapcharoensap, M.D., Oregon Health & Science University - Northwest Neonatal Improvement Priority Alliance (NWIPA)
8:45A – 9:15A	Community Neonatal Resuscitation	Silke Akerson, MPH, CPM, Executive Director - Oregon Perinatal Collaborative
9:15A – 9:45A	From Hospital to Field: Partnering With EMS to Strengthen Neonatal Resuscitation	Trang Huynh, M.D., FAAP, Associate Professor of Pediatrics, Director, Neonatal Telemedicine, Division of Neonatology - Oregon Health & Science University
9:45A – 10:15A	Bridging Public and Clinical Health: The Power of State Quality Collaboratives	Sunah Hwang, M.D., PhD, MPH/MSPH, Lula O. Lubchenco Chair in Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine, Professor of Pediatrics, and Neonatologist - University of Colorado School of Medicine
10:15A – 10:45A	BREAK & HOTEL CHECK OUT	
	Supporting Families to Improve Neonatal Outcomes: Collaborative, Innovative Approaches Informed by Social Determinants of Health	
10:45A – 11:15A	Medical-Legal Partnerships in Perinatal Care: The Doernbecher Model and Its Impact	Lauren Mutrie, MD, MSc - Doernbecher Children's Hospital, Oregon Health & Science University (OHSU)
11:15A – 11:45A	Advancing Equity in the NICU: Identifying Disparities and Driving Innovative Solutions	Sunah Hwang, M.D., PhD, MPH/MSPH, Lula O. Lubchenco Chair in Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine, Professor of Pediatrics, and Neonatologist - University of Colorado School of Medicine
11:45A – 12:00P	Closing Remarks & 2027 AAP District VIII Preview	
	Conference Concludes @ 12:00 PM	

