

Intervention in the NICU: A Neurodevelopmental Approach

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Faculty

Roberta “Bertie” Gatlin, PT, DSc, PCS is an Associate Professor and Director of Admission for South College Department of Physical Therapy. She graduated from University of Memphis in 1986 with a BS in Special Education and from the University of Tennessee Health Science Center Department of Physical Therapy in 1989 with a BS in Physical Therapy and in 2013 with her Doctor of Science with an emphasis in Neurological and Pediatric Physical Therapy. She has been a Board Certified Pediatric Clinical Specialist from 2001 thru 2021. Her experience draws from over 30 years in the field of pediatric physical therapy. She is an adjunct professor in the Physical Therapy Department at Emory & Henry College, Marion, Virginia. She provides programming instruction for Brooks Rehabilitation Pediatric Residency. Bertie’s experience encompasses physical therapy within the NICU, developmental follow-up clinic and outpatient pediatrics servicing all populations. She has been a department director for an acute care hospital and an outpatient pediatric rehabilitation center. Her research currently focuses on Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome and struggling students within an accelerated hybrid physical therapy program. Bertie currently holds the Secretary position for the Tennessee Physical Therapy Association Executive Committee. She holds the Neonatology Specialty Interest Group’s Chair position and is a member of the Finance Committee for the American Physical Therapy Association Academy of Pediatrics.

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About this Live Webinar

This course is designed to provide participants with evidence based research that will contribute to their development and implementation of best practices of therapeutic intervention programs within a NICU environment. This course will arm the NICU therapist with the ability to apply evidence based assessment, application and intervention services for the babies and families they work with.

Objectives

- 1 Discuss the theoretical basis and the evidence-based outcomes for therapeutic services in the NICU
- 2 Identify common self-regulation signals and different state behaviors displayed by premature infants
- 3 Discuss typical motor and sensory development observed in premature infants; 23-24 weeks gestational age to one-month old post conceptual age
- 4 Discuss the pathophysiology of common medical diagnoses found in the NICU, the outcome of these diagnoses and potential impact a therapeutic management/treatment intervention may have with the infant and family/caregiver
- 5 Apply evidence-based research to clinical application for therapeutic evaluation, assessment and intervention in the NICU and after discharge
- 6 Provide evidence-based recommendations of follow-up collaborative care of an infant and family/caregiver after discharge from the NICU

Audience

Because PT, OT and SLP practice in the NICU environment is not considered entry level by the AOTA, APTA and ASHA, it is advised that clinicians engage in continuing education courses and mentorships. This course is geared at an introductory to intermediate level.

Participant Requirements

Participants should have a doll, two baby blankets, and a baby bottle and nipple (any kind).

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Schedule – Day 1 9:40 am - 7:00 pm EST (US)

9:40-10:00	Webinar Registration/Zoom Course Opens
10:00-12:00	NICU Abbreviations History of the NICU Competencies for the Rehab Professional in the NICU Levels of the NICU Equipment in the NICU
12:00-12:15	Break
12:15-2:00	Embryology and the Neonate Neonatal Development Inside & Outside the Uterus GM, FM, Oral Motor, Sensory and Behavioral Expectations of Development
2:00-2:30	Lunch
2:30-3:30	Practice Frameworks and Evidence Based Practice
3:30-4:30	Hierarchy of Systems Interactive Capabilities
4:30-4:45	Break
4:45-5:45	Neurodevelopmental Assessment of the NICU Infant: Observation and Hands on Assessment Standardized Testing TIMP Neurological Assessment of the Preterm and Full-Term Infant Infant Neurobiological International Battery Neonatal Behavioral Assessment Scale
5:45-6:45	Developmental Supportive Care: NIDCAP Theory Evidence
6:45-7:00	Evaluation and Assessment of the Neonate Wrap up Questions/Video Assessments

Schedule – Day 2 9:40 am - 6:00 pm EST (US)

9:40-10:00	Webinar Registration/Zoom Course Opens
10:00-10:30	Review/Questions
10:30-12:30	Therapeutic Intervention in the NICU Handling, Positioning, Massage, Facilitated Motor Activity Complications of the NICU patient
12:30-1:00	Lab Positioning infants (All participants need to bring baby doll similar to their patient size)
1:00-1:15	Break
1:15-2:30	Lab <i>continued</i>
2:30-3:00	Lunch
3:00-3:30	Diagnosis of the NICU client HMD/RDS/CLD, ROP, IVH/PVL, NEC
3:30-4:00	Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome*
4:00-4:30	Late Preterm Infant*
4:30-5:00	Discordant Twins, IUGR/SGA*
5:00-5:15	Break
5:15-6:00	Wound Care in the NICU* Wrap up and Questions

***EBP and Outcomes will be presented with each diagnosis and NICU admission**

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