

Neonatal Ethics & Difficult Situations Course

“Working through things together”

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Dr S Babarao



Dr Shri Babarao is a Consultant Neonatologist at Wirral Women & Children's Hospital in Merseyside, UK. He is one of the founding members and organising faculties of the Neonatal Ethics and Difficult Situations (NEDS) course. He is also an honorary senior lecturer at University of Chester and an honorary lecturer at University of Liverpool. He has organised many neonatal study days at Wirral for the benefit of the local GPs. He has also organised and hosted neonatal nutrition study days for the multi-disciplinary professional team. His postgraduate training in paediatrics (MD) is from Chennai, India and this included a research year studying on QT interval dispersion and echocardiographic changes in malnourished children. He has trained in neonatal and paediatric intensive care at Leeds, Newcastle and Southampton. His interests include neonatal simulation training, neonatal nutrition and clinical risk. He is a GIC Instructor with the resuscitation council UK and an NLS instructor.

Dr Sijo Francis



Dr Sijo Francis is a Consultant Neonatologist and clinical lead at St George's NHS Trust London. He is one of the founding members of the NEDS course as well as the neonatal simulation programme at Southampton. Dr Sijo Francis has trained in South Africa, London and Southampton.

Sijo has been involved in supporting families and dealing with ethical dilemmas. He has also been involved in the development of simulation models and scenarios for the Neonatal ethics and difficult situation course and simulated neonatal airway course. He has a special interest in neonatal infections and has helped develop guidelines and task training videos for infection control during his career. He has completed work on how neonatal medical teams manage difficult ethical conundrum and how to manage situations where teams disagree or have dilemmas in the care of sick babies.

Dr Ranjit Gunda



Dr Ranjit Gunda is a Consultant Neonatologist at Queen Alexandra Hospital Portsmouth. He was trainee lead for the Wessex-Oxford Neonatal Education Programme and Neonatal Simulation Programme at Princess Anne Hospital Southampton from 2013 to 2015. Ranjit started his postgraduate training in paediatrics in India completing an MD on 'Meconium Aspiration'. He has trained in neonatal intensive care at Aberdeen, Southampton, Portsmouth and completed a fellowship in Neonatal Transport at Leicester. He organised the European Neonatal Ethics Conference in 2014 and has trained as a neonatal simulation instructor in Southampton and Leicester. He has led developed of the 'WONEP website' along with Dr Alok Sharma has instructed on the 'Neonatal Ethics and Difficult Situations Course' since 2012. He has also developed the OPEN concept in simulated learning along with Dr Alok Sharma. His work on multidisciplinary neonatal simulation was awarded the Best Research Award at ASPIH 2014.

Lisa Leppard



Lisa Leppard is a senior sister in the neonatal department at Princess Anne Hospital Southampton UK. She is also network lead for Palliative care for Wessex. She is part of the Family Care Team in PAH and has authored the guideline on neonatal palliative care in Southampton. She is also a Bliss Champion and has been instrumental in completion of the Bliss Audits at Southampton.

Lisa joined the NEDS team in 2014 and has helped support delivery of the courses in Southampton and London. This involves simulated scenarios in neonatal ethics, brain death and organ donation.

She has recently been nominated for the 'Medical Professional of the Year 2016' by the Wave 105 radio station.

She has been instrumental in getting Southampton Neonatal Unit granted Family Friendly Accreditation Status.

Dr Alok Sharma



Dr Alok Sharma is a Consultant Neonatologist at Princess Anne Hospital Southampton. He is Lead for the Wessex-Oxford Neonatal Education Programme and Neonatal Simulation Programme at Princess Anne Hospital Southampton. Alok started his postgraduate training in paediatrics in India completing an MD on 'Meconium Aspiration'. He has trained in neonatal and paediatric intensive care at Aberdeen, London, Exeter, Portsmouth Southampton and Leicester. He has founded the 'Neonatal Ethics and Difficult Situations Course' which is run nationally in multiple centres in the UK along with Dr D Wilkinson, Dr Sijo Francis, and Dr S Babarao. He has also developed the OPEN concept in simulated learning and worked on its implementation in ethics education. He has run numerous workshops on the ethical aspects of implementation of therapeutic hypothermia in India in partnership with the National Neonatology Forum India. Work on multidisciplinary neonatal simulation done by his team, and its impact on neonatal outcomes was nominated for the National BMJ Award securing the Runner's Up position in 2014 and was awarded the Best Research Award at ASPIH 2014.

Professor Dominic Wilkinson



Dominic Wilkinson is the Chair and Lead for the European Neonatal Ethics Conference. He is Associate Professor and Director of Medical Ethics at the Oxford Uehiro Centre for Practical Ethics, University of Oxford. He is also a consultant neonatologist at the John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford. Dominic trained in neonatal intensive care in Melbourne and has also worked as a doctor in adult and paediatric intensive care units. He completed a Master's degree in Human Bioethics in Australia and a DPhil in Bioethics in Oxford on the ethical implications of magnetic resonance imaging in newborn infants with birth asphyxia. Dominic has written a large number of academic articles relating to ethical issues in intensive care. He is the author of a critically-acclaimed book "Death or Disability? The 'Carmentis Machine' and decision-making for critically ill children" Oxford University Press 2013. He is also co-author of an online handbook for parents-"Caring-decisions" www.rch.org.au/caringdecisions. He is Associate Editor of the Journal of Medical Ethics and Managing Editor of the Journal of Practical Ethics.

Dr Jasim Shihab



Dr Jasim Shihab is currently a Fellow in Neonates at Oliver Fisher Neonatal Unit, Medway Maritime Hospital and will be moving in September to Royal London Hospital as a Senior Clinical Fellow in Neonatal Services and Neonatal Transport where he will be working with the Neonatal Unit, Royal London Hospital and Neonatal Transport Service, London. He did his medical school training in Pondicherry, India, and his postgraduate training in Pediatrics from Bangalore, India. After that he worked as an Assistant Professor in Neonatology in Chennai. He then moved to Aberdeen to do an International fellowship in Neonatology under the aegis of RCPCH. He moved back to India in 2011 and worked as a Consultant Neonatologist in Trivandrum, Kerala. He moved back to UK in 2015. He has been a NRP national instructor in India. He was also actively involved in the activities of NNFI and Indian Academy of Pediatrics. He was a NNFI assessor for accreditation of Neonatal Units in India. He was also a faculty at various workshops and conferences. He has done the NEST simulation training in Bangalore. He has been involved in simulation during his tenure at Oliver Fisher Neonatal Unit and has been undergone Instructor training in Southampton.

Sharon Cave



Sharon Cave is a Senior Sister at Princess Anne Hospital Southampton UK. She is also involved with the Family Care team and is involved in counselling parents of sick neonates on the neonatal unit.

Sharon has been associated with the simulation programme since 2014 helping run the Neonatal Ethics and Difficult Situations course. She has a special interest in neonatal surgery and is involved in antenatal counselling of neonates with surgical problems. Sharon has been instrumental in the production of the NEDS videos on 'Breaking Bad News', 'The SPIKES approach' and 'Parallel Planning'.

Sharon has helped in the production of numerous scenarios and participates as an actor in these scenarios to bring realism and improve psychological fidelity.