



# NANT 11

## *Cultivating Connection*



April 8-10, 2021



Virtual

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# LOGISTICS

**DATE** Conference: April 8-10, 2021

**VENUE** Online

**REGISTRATION** Opens December 1, 2020  
Register at [nantconference.com](http://nantconference.com)

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**MEMBER** **CONFERENCE**  
\$400

**NON-MEMBER** **CONFERENCE**  
\$500

**STUDENT** **CONFERENCE**  
\$300

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# CONFERENCE AGENDA

**THURSDAY, APRIL 8, 2021**

<b>12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Welcome and TBD</b>
<b>1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Keynote - Contemplative Care</b> <i>Rana Awdish, MD, FCCP, FACP</i>
<b>2:00 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.</b>	<b>Exhibitor Showcase &amp; Poster Session</b>
<b>2:45 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.</b>	<b>When Our Hands Touch Our Babies, Everything Changes</b> <i>Catherine R Smith, PT, DPT, PhD, PCS, CNT</i>
<b>4:15 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.</b>	Break
<b>4:30 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.</b>	<b>The Body of Neonatal Therapists in the United States</b> <i>Bobbi Pineda, PhD, CNT</i> <i>Lara Liszka, OTD, OTR/L</i>
<b>5:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.</b>	<b>Event TBD</b> <i>Sue Ludwig, OTR/L, CNT</i>

**End of Day 1**

# CONFERENCE AGENDA

FRIDAY, APRIL 9, 2021

- 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.**                      **Exhibitor Showcase Session**  
*(Exhibitor Showcase Remains Open Throughout Day)*
- 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.**                      **Cultivating Connections...It Begins With YOU! A Trauma Informed Approach**  
*Ramya Kumar, MS, CCC-SLP, BCS-S, CNT, CBS, NTMTC*  
*Mary Coughlin, RN, MS, NNP*
- 10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.**                      Break
- 10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.**                      **Supporting Parent-Baby Bonding Through NICU Palliative Care**  
*Vicky Vu, MA, OT/L, BCP, CNT, NTMTC*  
*Melissa Gran, MS, CCC-SLP, CLE, NTMTC*
- 11:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**                      Break
- 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**                      **What's Everyone Talking About?**  
*Bobbi Pineda, PhD, CNT*  
*Lara Liszka, OTD, OTR/L*
- 12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.**                      **Sponsored Presentation TBD**
- 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.**                      **Feeding After Neonatal Intensive Care Discharge**  
*Britt F. Pados, PhD, RN, NNP-BC, FAHA, FNAP*
- 2:30 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.**                      **Exhibitor Showcase**
- 3:15 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.**                      **What Goes In, Must Come Out: Neonatal Therapy Care for the Premature Infant Post Gastrointestinal Surgery**  
*Holly Schifsky, OTR/L, CNT, NTMTC, CBIS*  
*Danielle Prince, OTD, OTR/L*

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4:15 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.

Event TBD

End of Day 2

# CONFERENCE AGENDA

**SATURDAY, APRIL 10, 2021**

- 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.**                      **Neonatal Therapy Science: The Year in Review 2020**  
*Deanna Gibbs, PhD, MOT, BAppSc(OT), GC Res Meth, CNT, NTMTC*  
*Kati Knudsen, PT, MPT, CNT, PCS, DCS, CLE*
- 10:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.**                      **Normal Swallowing in Healthy Term Infants: Are Signs of Aspiration a Normal Variant?**  
*Katlyn McGrattan, PhD, CCC-SLP*  
*Morgan Zoeller, BS, Graduate Student*
- 11:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**                      Break
- 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**                      **The Care and Management of Neonatal Bone Growth and Development**  
*Elizabeth Heiny, OTR/L*  
*Whitney Roper, PT, DPT*

## CONCURRENT SESSIONS

**12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.**

**Final Exhibitor Showcase**

**Manned Poster Session**

**Leadership Circle, TBD**

*Sue Ludwig, OTR/L, CNT*

*Chrysty Sturdivant, OTR, CLC, CNT*

- 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.**                      **Pathway to Improving Outcomes in the Preterm Infant – Role of Neonatal Therapy in the NICU**  
*Terrie E. Inder, MBChB, MD*
- 2:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.**                      Break
- 2:45 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.**                      **Transformational Healing: Exploring the Role Neonatal Therapists Play in the NICU Parent Experience**  
*Keira Sorrells, BSFCS, Executive Director, NICU Parent Network*
- 3:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**                      **Wrap up and 2022 Announcement**

End of NANT 11 Conference

# POSTER PRESENTATIONS

*Parental Stress While Providing Sensory Experiences to Preterm Infants in the NICU*  
Bobbi Pineda, PhD, OTR/L, CNT & Jenny Kwon, OTD/S

*Utilization of the Crown Cradle Positioning Aid for Cranial Molding During NICU Hospitalization* Nichole Lensing, PT, DPT, NTMTC & Jennie Jacob, MSPT, CNT, DCS, NTMTC

*Enhancing the Caregiving Approach in the NICU Using Behavior Cues to Build the Connection Between Neonatal Nurses and the Newborn*  
Sujata Noronha, PT & Mousam Gala, PT

*Shoulder Dystocia Outcomes Related to the Upper Extremity in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit* Kimi Nishihara, OTD, OTR/L

*Finding N.E.M.O.: NICU Early Mobility Optimization*  
Gina Brumfield, PT, DPT & Liz Manford, MOT, OTR/L, BCP

*Test Weights Used to Validate Active Breastfeeding Minutes and Establish Earlier Breastfeeding in the NICU*  
Beth McGinnis, MOTR/L, IBCLC, NTMTC

*The Quest for Optimization: Utilizing NFANT Technology to Determine Feeding Readiness in Infants Born* Nanette Gremillion, MS, PT, CNT

*The Application of International Dysphagia Diet Standardization Initiative (IDDSI) Framework in Preparation of Starch-Thickened Infant Formulas*  
Lavinia Teo, MS

*A Case Series Demonstrating Limited Use of a Cranial Cup to Correct Deformational Plagiocephaly in a Level IV NICU*  
Kimberly Clemens, PT, CNT, NTMTC & Betty Kuo, PT, CNT, NTMTC

*Cultivating Awareness: A Retrospective Review of Feeding Outcomes for Neonates with Hypoxic Ischemic Encephalopathy*  
Courtney Lichtenstein, MS, CCC-SLP, CNT & Raquel Garcia, SLPD, CCC-SLP, CNT, BCS-S

*Videofluoroscopic Swallow Study Protocol for Infants with Pulmonary Hypertension*  
Kellie Watson, OTS & Aimee Wakeman, MOTS

*Cerebral Palsy Early Detection Initiative*  
Stacey Belliard, DPT, CNT, NTMTC

*Neurodevelopmental Outcomes Following Preterm Birth: Does Post Menstrual Age (PMA) at NICU Discharge Matter? Polly Kellner, MSOT, OTR/L & Jenny Kwon, OTD/S*

## POSTER PRESENTATIONS

*Implementing Positioning Best Practice in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit: A Knowledge Translation Project*

*Audrey Charpentier-Demers, OT, BSc & Catherine Demers, OT, MSc, PhD Candidate*

*Transforming the Role of Speech-Language Pathology in a Level III NICU from Rehab to 'Prehab'*  
*Hana Mentzel, SLP, MA, CCC-SLP & Tiffany Hogan, MA, CCC-SLP, CLC*

*Attaining Full Oral Feeding in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit: A Quality Improvement Project*  
*Catherine Demers, OT, MSc, PhD Candidate & Audrey Charpentier-Demers, OT, BSc*

*Connecting the Dots: A Scoping Review of Direct Feeding Interventions Used with Neonates*  
*Raquel J Garcia, SLPD, CCC-SLP, CNT, BCS-S*

*Supporting Parents to Read to Their Infants on a Level 2 Neonatal Unit: Launch of a Neonatal Library*  
*Elaine McMahan & Celia Harding, MD*

*The Use of Telehealth in Pediatric Occupational Therapy*  
*Marta Figueiredo, OTR/L, Professional Doctorate*

*Reflection on Connection: A Journey of Indian NICU Therapists*  
*Geetha Arora, OT & Sujata Noronha, PT*



# CONFERENCE DETAILS

## WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

- Neonatal Physical Therapists
- Neonatal Occupational Therapists
- Neonatal Speech Language Pathologists
- Neonatal Nurses
- Developmental Pediatricians
- Neonatal Respiratory Therapists
- Developmental Specialists
- Early Intervention Therapists
- Neonatologists
- Child Life Specialists
- Neonatal Music Therapists

## CONFERENCE DESCRIPTION

An international conference that provides education to occupational therapists, physical therapists and speech-language pathologists. Educational content addresses the specific needs of the neonatal therapist and may be of interest to all neonatal caregivers. Speakers will provide intermediate and advanced evidence-based content. This event will take place online. Conference instructional methods include lectures, videos, case studies, demonstrations, and handouts. There will be a question and answer session during the live conference. A learning assessment and course evaluation will follow.

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## CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDIT

Conference attendees must view all accredited sessions and complete an online Conference Evaluation and Learning Assessment to receive their Certificate of Completion. Login and logout times will be recorded and documented.

Physical therapists and nurses who have met Conference completion requirements will receive a zip file containing information necessary to submit to their individual state for education credit. Physical therapists are responsible for knowing and adhering to their state's deadlines, rules, and regulations.

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