

About the Neurodevelopmental Care (NDC) SIG

The focus of the NDC SIG is to advocate neuro protective family integrated care practices across neonatal settings, promoting consistency in practice optimising neurodevelopmental outcomes in premature born and sick infants.

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Aims

- To advocate and raise awareness of best evidence-based practices in neuro protective family integrated developmental care for premature and sick infants.
- To promote neuro protective family integrated developmental care as a conscious integral, individualised practice and standard of care.

Objectives

- Engage in a forum for clinical leaders to share knowledge and collaborate with other clinicians to achieve the aims of the SIG.
- Identify challenges when practicing and implementing neuro protective family integrated developmental care across neonatal settings
- Provide support for health care workers by in the field by offering relevant resource.
- Financial support of members of the ACNN seeking education and professional development in the field by providing the opportunity to apply for a specific scholarship.
- Participate at conferences, workshops, webinars, seminars, and via social media, sharing current evidence based best practice with health care workers caring for premature and sick infants.

Achievements

Since establishment of the SIG in 2017, the following has been accomplished:

- Survey and review of developmental care practices in the Australian context. Published paper.
- NDC SIG Workshop at the 2018 ACNN national conference
- Three- monthly meetings via teleconference
- Establishment of a NDC scholarship, available for ACNN members with a total sum of \$8000
- NDC Seminar in 2019, raising awareness of World Prematurity Day at the Royal North Shore Hospital, Sydney

What's In it For Me?

- Being part of a group of like-minded clinicians and the opportunity to share information
- Regular networking via Teleconferences
- Access to current evidence based neuroprotective family integrated developmental care resources
- Educational opportunities
- Opportunity to actively participate in the developing frame work of neuro protective family integrated developmental care in Australia
- Opportunity to participate in research, exploring neuro protective family integrated developmental care practices

If you are interested in learning more about the NDC SIG, contact us at: ndcsig@acnn.org.au or scan the QR code to find our webpage

