

PROGRAMME

# BAPM ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2025

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**The Royal Welsh College  
of Music & Drama**

**Monday 8 and Tuesday 9  
September 2025**

**Transition: Leading Together to Improve  
Newborn Care**



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## Day 1: Monday 8 September 2025

06:45	Conference Run – A Social 5k (Optional)	
08:00 – 08:55	Registration, Refreshments and Exhibition	
	Theme: Transition to enteral, oral feeding, developmental care	
08:55 - 09:00	Welcome to Day 1	
09:00 - 09:45	Evidence-based neurodevelopmental care: past present and future	Beverley Hicks and Professor Alicia Spittle
09:45 - 10:15	Early enteral feeding for preterm babies – the evidence and what next?	Professor Shalini Ojha
10:15 - 10:45	Oral feeding on non-invasive ventilation: evidence-based practice	Nicoll Bell
10:45 - 11:15	Refreshment Break, Exhibition and Poster Display	
	Theme: Transitioning Nanopreterms	
11:15 - 11:30	UK experience: Data-driven approach to informing national guidance: Revision of the BAPM extreme preterm framework and The 22 week study	Dr Cheryl Battersby
11:30 - 12:15	The Sweden experience on the management of babies born 22 to 23 weeks	Professor Richard Sindelar
12:15 - 12:40	Panel Discussion: How can we work together internationally to make sense of the different approaches to managing babies born 22 and 23 weeks?	Professor Steve Abman, Dr Cheryl Battersby, Professor Matthew Rysavy and Professor Richard Sindelar
12:40 -14:10	Lunch, Exhibition and Poster Walk	
	Theme: Respiratory Transition	
14:10 - 15:05	Founder’s lecture: Interdisciplinary approach to optimising respiratory health in preterm babies: The BPD collaborative and the role of pulmonary hypertension follow up programs	Professor Steve Abman
15:05 - 15:35	Refreshment Break, Exhibition and Poster Display	
	Theme: Transition from Neonatal Care	
15:35 - 16:00	Transitioning from neonatal to Paediatric services	Dr Tim Watts
16:00 - 16:25	How can we support babies and families through transition: A Parent’s perspective	Abbie Mason-Woods
16:25 - 16:50	Panel Discussion: Follow up programmes: what makes sense?	Professor Steve Abman, Abbie Mason-Woods, Helen Robinson, Dr Tim Watts, Professor Richard Sindelar
16:50 - 17:30	BAPM AGM	
19:30 - Late	BAPM Annual Conference Dinner Park Plaza Cardiff, Grey friars Road, Cardiff, CF10 3 AL GB – Park Plaza Suite	

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## Day 2: Tuesday 9 September 2025

07:30 - 09:00	Registration, Refreshments, Exhibition and Poster Display	
08:00 - 08:45	Affiliate Group Lecture: BANNFU Launch of the 4 year follow up guidance	Dr Louise Leven and Dr Katie McKinnon
08:00 - 08:25	Affiliate Group Lecture: NTG Supporting Parents during transitions between hospitals	TBC
08:25 - 08:50	Affiliate Group Lecture: NPPG Bridging the gaps: Collaborative medicines management strategies for neonates on the move	Thomas Wyllie
08:55 - 09:00	Welcome to Day 2	
Theme: Patient safety		
09:00 - 09:25	From Framework to Frontline: Safety Perspectives on Neonatal Central Venous Access	Dr Louise Leven
09:25 - 09:50	Use of POCUS in a collapsed or deteriorating neonate	Dr Jayanta Banerjee
09:50 - 10:15	Maternity and Newborn Safety Investigations (MNSI) findings and learning	Dr Cora Doherty
10:15 - 10:50	Keynote lecture Neonatal Safety: Speaking truth to power	Michele Upton
10:50 - 11:20	Refreshment Break, Exhibition and Poster Display	
Theme: Neuro transition		
11:20 - 11:50	Neonatal neuroprotection and neurointensive care: latest evidence and potential future therapies	Professor Nicola Robertson
11:50 - 12:15	Management of babies with grade 4 IVH and post haemorrhage hydrocephalus: An update and the UK ENLIVEN clinical trial	Mr Kristian Aquilina
12:15 - 12:25	Annual Photograph	
12:25 - 13:45	Lunch, Exhibition and Poster Display	
13:45 - 14:10	BAPM Abstract Presentations	BAPM Awards
14:10 - 14:20		Implementing Multi-Disciplinary Team (MDT) Surveillance Meetings for Infants Discharged Home under the Neonatal Community Outreach Team (NCOT).
14:20 - 14:30		Defining An Irish Quaternary Neonatal Patient Cohort Using Acuity And Safety Standards
14:30 - 14:40		Transitions and MDT working - The Development of New Neonatal Therapy Service to Support the Transition from the Neonatal Unit to Home.
14:40 - 14:50		Understanding parents’ and healthcare professionals' (HCP) experiences of, and priorities for, neonatal neurodevelopmental follow-up for very preterm babies.
14:50 - 15:00		Digitally Safer Together: Enhancing Maternity and Neonatal Handover Using Alertive and SBAR Integration.
15:00 - 15:10		A moment that matters - a quality improvement project to improve rates of delivery room cuddles for all babies
15:10 - 15:20		Enhancing family experience through early discharge with oral antibiotics for Neonates with Presumed Early-Onset Sepsis
15:20 - 15:30		Parental Stress in the NICU: The Impact of Integrated Psychological Support within a Family-Centred Care Model
15:30 - 16:00	Refreshment Break, Exhibition and Poster Display	
16:00 - 16:15	Winner of Free Paper and Prizes	
16:15 - 16:55	Advances in fetal surgery: improving outcomes for infants with congenital diaphragmatic hernia and spina bifida	Professor Jan Deprest
16:55 - 17:00	Summary and Closing Remarks	

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### **Professor Steve Abman**

Professor of Paediatrics - Pulmonary Medicine, University of Colorado School of Medicine and Children's Hospital Colorado, USA

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NIDCAP Trainer-in-Training, APiB and NIDCAP Professional, UK NIDCAP Training Centre & Neonatal Developmental Specialist, University College London Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, UK

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### **Professor Shalini Ojha**

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### **Helen Robinson**

Lead Physiotherapist  
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### **Professor Matthew Rysavy**

Assistant Professor, Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine & The Institute for Clinical Research and Learning Health Care, McGovern Medical School at UTHealth Houston, USA

### **Professor Richard Sindelar**

Professor of Neonatology & Senior Consultant in Neonatology, Uppsala University Children's Hospital, Sweden

### **Professor Alicia Spittle**

Physiotherapist & Clinician Researcher, Melbourne School of Health Sciences, Australia

### **Michele Upton**

Previous Patient Safety Lead, Maternity and Newborn, NHS England, UK

### **Dr Tim Watts**

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### **Thomas Wyllie**

Specialist Clinical Pharmacist in neonatology and metabolic disease, Cardiff & Vale University Health Board, Wales, UK

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