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BAPM Spring Conference 2026

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Learning together

**Tuesday 10 - Wednesday
11 March 2026**

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Day 1: Tuesday 10 March 2026

10:00 – 10:30 CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

	SPIN Programme Theme: SPIN	Theme: Learning together
10:30 – 11:00	Introduction to Neonatal SPIN Programme <i>Harsha Gowda</i>	Welcome to Day 1 - Meet the delegates networking activity
11:00 – 12:00	Mastering Cranial Ultrasound: From basics to clinical decision-making <i>Arthi Lakshmanan</i>	The emerging role of AI in Neonatal Care <i>T'ng Chang Kwok</i>
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch, exhibition and poster viewing	
13:00 – 13:50	Feeding babies – can we do better? <i>Sara Clarke</i>	Equity in Perinatal care: Tackling cultural and language barriers <i>Angie Doshani</i>
13:50 - 14:40	Improving the HIE Cooling Journey: Assessment, Stabilisation and Safe neonatal transfer <i>Nazakat Merchant</i>	Workshop: What are medical journals looking for and how can I get involved? <i>Elaine Boyle</i>
14:40 – 15:10	Poster Walk	Poster Walk
15:10 – 15:40	Refreshment break, exhibition and poster viewing	
15:40 – 16:30	Neonatal cardiovascular support: why, when and how? <i>Nim Subhedar</i>	An MDT approach to translating evidence into care <i>Laura Kromhout</i>
16:30 - 17:30	The journey of preterm lungs <i>Amy Carmichael</i>	Workshop: How to make it stick: Towards sustainable QI for you and your team <i>Chantelle Tomlinson + Parent QI partner</i>
17:30 – 17:45	Break / career surgeries	
17:45 – 19:15	Career surgeries / Not in a Pub quiz	Not in a Pub quiz
19:15	Close	Close

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Day 2: Wednesday 11 March 2026

All delegates		
08:30 – 09:00	Welcome to day 2	
09:00 – 09:30	Metabolic bone disease - a new BAPM Framework	<i>Chris Forster</i>
09:30 – 10:00	Tackling barriers to repatriation of complex babies to local Neonatal Units	<i>Sarah Edwards</i>
10:00 – 10:25	Updates from Respiratory Physiotherapists on the management of ventilated babies	<i>Emma Foulerton</i>
10:25 – 10:50	Refreshment break, exhibition and poster viewing	
10:50 – 11:10	Sponsored session	
11:10 – 11:40	Management of neonatal pain	<i>Neelam Gupta</i>
11:40 – 12:30	New options for managing neonatal pain: the DEXTA trial	<i>Elaine Boyle</i>
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch, exhibition and poster viewing	
13:30 – 13:40	Oral presentation 1	
13:40 – 13:50	Oral presentation 2	
13:50 – 14:00	Oral presentation 3	
14:00 – 14:10	Oral presentation 4	
14:15 – 14:45	The role of debrief within the NNU	<i>Emma Hoogerwerf</i>
14:45 – 15:15	FICare and compassionate psychological care in tackling neonatal inequalities	<i>Parent of 22-23 weeker Supported by Bliss</i>
15:15 – 15:30	Refreshment break, networking, exhibition and viewing the winning posters	
15:30 – 16:00	Approaching neurodiversity in parents and caregivers	<i>Laura Spence</i>
16:00 – 16:45	Embedding the BAPM palliative care framework – what's next?	<i>Alex Mancini</i>
16:45	Close	

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