



## Program Committee Report

NFI Board Meeting

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### Program Committee

Chair: H. Als

Members: J. Alberts, D. Buehler, N. Conneman, J. Helm, g. Lawhon, S. Kosta, G. McAnulty, K. Vandenberg

### Quality Assurance Advisory Council

Chair: K. Vandenberg

Members: H. Als, G. Basso, J. Browne, D. Buehler, g. Lawhon, K. Smith

The Program Committee Report covers the Committee's achievements and activities for the period from 25 October 2016 – 20 October 2017. The Quality Assurance Advisory Council (QAAC), which consists of the NIDCAP Master Trainers and Master Trainers-in-Training, supports the work of the Program Committee. The Program Committee consists of several Sub-Committees (SC), as follows: NIDCAP and APIB Training and Certifications SC (*Als, Lawhon, Buehler*); NIDCAP Nursery Certification (NNACP) Steering Committee (SC) (*Buehler, Smith, Als, Kosta, McAnulty, Hedlund, Director*); Training Materials in Different Languages SC (*Als, Kosta*); Standardization of Certificates SC (*Kosta*); NIDCAP Foundation Education SC (*Conneman, Helm, Lawhon*); NIDCAP Trainers Meeting Program SC (*Lawhon, Powlesland*); NFI Endorsement of Activities and Products SC (*Als, McAnulty, Kosta*); NIDCAP and Science SC (*J. Alberts, G. McAnulty*) and the North American NIDCAP Trainers Task Force SC (*Lawhon, Vittner*). The Sub-Committee Chairs' reports on the respective topics are summarized here and in some cases, as noted, they are attached in full.

#### 1. Quality Assurance Advisory Council (*Als, Basso, Browne, Buehler, Lawhon, Smith, Vandenberg*)

The QAAC Members met monthly by telephone conference call and, for the last half year, by ZOOM. Exceptions were February and March 2017 when no calls occurred. The Minutes of the QAAC's monthly telephone and/or ZOOM meetings are posted on the NFI web page in order to facilitate communication between the QAAC, the NFI Board and the NFI Membership.

At the final ZOOM Meeting for 2016-2017 the QAAC appointed Karen Smith as its Chair for 2017-2018.

The QAAC completed and received Board Approval for the annual Certification Renewal guidelines for NIDCAP Professionals, NIDCAP Trainers and Master Trainers as well as NIDCAP Training Centers. The NFI training database is under modification in order to accommodate online management of certification renewal. The software has been developed and the QAAC is in discussion how best to manage the submitted documents once the site is launched.

The QAAC Session entitled 'Nurturing the Trainer' at the 2016 NIDCAP Trainers Meeting identified the Trainers desire for more in depths support of their training work. Over the course of the year 2016-2017 the QAAC developed a Trainer Questionnaire focused on the types and timing of supports the Trainers wished to have available. The QAAC Session entitled 'Nurturing the Trainer' at the 2017 NIDCAP Trainers Meeting is structured in the form of work groups by Trainer level and language background, and will explore key training

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challenges and short and long-term supports desired by Trainers. Additionally, the QAAC will solicit again, as in prior years, topics that the Trainers wish to be addressed at the 29<sup>th</sup> NIDCAP Trainers Meeting in Porto, Portugal in 2018. The QAAC discussed furthermore the inclusion of the Senior NIDCAP Trainers in their group in order to gain a larger circle to give input and help increase timely productivity.

## 2. Sub-Committee on NIDCAP and APIB Training and Certification (Als<sub>2</sub> Lawhon, Buehler)

### Update Regarding Training Activities and Trainers

**Attachment 1** lists all Current NIDCAP Training Centers and Training Centers in Development, NFI certified NIDCAP Nurseries and those engaged in the application process towards NFI NIDCAP Nursery Certification, as well as all NIDCAP and APIB Trainers and Trainers-in-Training as of 1 October 2017.

### Newly Certified NIDCAP Training Centers and NIDCAP Trainers; Center Closures, Trainer Reaffiliations and Retirements.

- a. **St. Luke's NIDCAP Center, Boise, Idaho** (established 1995) closed in November 2016. Karen Smith, RN, MEd, NIDCAP Master Trainer-in-Training continues to train under the auspices of the NFI.
- b. **Five new NIDCAP Trainers were certified**, namely:
  - Birgit Holzhüter, MD**, at the **NIDCAP Germany, NIDCAP Training Center Tübingen, Established 2015**  
Director: Christian Poets, MD, PhD Universitätsklinik für Kinder- und Jugendmedizin Tübingen, Germany
  - Monique Oude Reimer, RN** of the Sophia NIDCAP Training Center, Co-Directors: Nikk Conneman, MD and Monique Oude Reimer, RN, ErasmusMC-Sophia, Childrens Hospital, Rotterdam, The Netherlands.
  - Sandra Lescure, MD**, at the newly certified **French NIDCAP Center, Toulouse**, Co-Directors: Charlotte Casper, MD, PhD and Sandra Lescure, MD, Hôpital des Enfants, Toulouse, France.
  - Nadine Griffiths, RN**, at the newly certified **Australasian NIDCAP Training Centre**, Co-Directors: Alison Loughran-Fowlds MBBS, DCH, FRACP, PhD and Kaye Spence AM, RN, MN, the Grace Centre for Newborn Intensive Care (GCNIC) of the Sydney Children's Hospitals Network, The Children's Hospital at Westmead, Westmead, Australia.
  - Juzer Tyebkhan, MD**, at the newly certified **Edmonton NIDCAP Training Centre**, Directors: Andrea Nykipilo, RN and Juzer Tyebkhan, MB, Stollery Hospital, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada.
- c. **A new Trainer-in-Training was approved**, namely:
  - Madalena Ramos, RN, MSc**, at the **São João NIDCAP Training Center, Porto, Portugal**, Director: Hercília Guimarães, MD, PhD, Co-Director: Fátima Clemente, MD, Pediatric Hospital at São João Hospital. Graciela Basso, MD serves as NIDCAP Master Trainer for Madalena Ramos.
- d. **A new APIB Trainer was certified**, namely **Joy Browne, PhD**, NIDCAP Master Trainer, Director, **Colorado NIDCAP Center, Children's Hospital, University of Colorado Denver School of Medicine, Denver, CO**.
- e. **Center Re-Opening Celebration**: The closed UK NIDCAP Training Center at St. Mary's, London, UK, approved for reopening under the leadership of Professor N. Marlow at the University College Hospital, University College London Hospitals, National Health Service (NHS) Foundation Trust. Senior NIDCAP Trainer, Inga Warren, DIP COT, MSc, and NIDCAP Trainer, Gillian Kennedy, Dip ST, MSc serve as the Center's NIDCAP Trainers, celebrated its opening in April 2017.

**3. Sub-Committee on the Production and Web Posting of Training Materials in Different Languages** (*H. A/s, S. Kosta*)

All Centers' training certificates are up to date and in compliance with NFI standards, with exception of the certificates of the two most recently opened Centers in Australia and Canada.

**4. NIDCAP Nursery Assessment and Certification Program (NNACP) Steering Committee** (*D. Buehler, K. Smith, H. Als, G. McAnulty, S. Kosta; Director, R. Hedlund*)

**Attachment 2** presents the complete NNACP Steering Committee Report to the Board.

The NNACP key accomplishments and activities include:

**a. Certification**

**Centre Hospitalier Valenciennes, Valenciennes, France** received certification in September 2016.

**b. Applications for Certification**

Four hospitals are engaged in various stages of their application process:

- i. **The Children's Hospital, King Fahad Medical City, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia** submitted NNACP Application: Part II and currently is working on the integration of feedback given by the NNACP Director before the application will be reviewed by the site review team.
- ii. **S. Anna-Regina Margherita Children's Hospital, University of Turin, Turin, Italy** has completed NNACP Application: Part I and is now working towards completing NNACP Application: Part II.
- iii. **University of Modena Hospital, Modena Italy**; is working towards completing NNACP Application : Part I and
- iv. **Ospedale Infermi di Rimini, Rimini, Italy**; completed NNACP Application: Part I and is now working towards completing NNACP Application: Part II.

**c. NNACP Certification Renewal Process and Documents**

The **Jeannette and Ron Doggett Neonatal Intensive Care Unit**, WakeMed – Raleigh Campus 3000 New Bern Avenue Raleigh, NC 27610 successfully completed the recertification application and was approved in May 2017.

The **Newborn Intensive Care Service, Meir Hospital Medical Center, Kfar Saba, Israel** submitted the Year 2 Certification Renewal Application on 25 July 2017, has been certified by the NFI Board, and awaits formal certification announcement. In person Certificate conferment is planned for the 28<sup>th</sup> NIDCAP Trainers Meeting, Edmonton, Alberta Canada 24 Oct 2017 in the context of the NNACP Session.

The additional pilot sites (Boise, Idaho and Camden, New Jersey) as well as Brest, France, have requested extensions and/or as yet have to reply.

- d. A two-hour **NNACP Workshop** entitled *Goal and Guide of all NIDCAP Training and Implementation: NIDCAP & NNACP Survey* was presented at the 27<sup>th</sup> NIDCAP Trainers Meeting in Bologna, Italy 27 October, 2016. An additional Workshop entitled *NIDCAP Nursery Assessment: The Key Tool for NIDCAP Trainers* is scheduled for this year's, the 28<sup>th</sup> NIDCAP Trainers Meeting in Edmonton, Alberta, CA.

**e. NNACP Site Reviewer Certification**

**Nikk Conneman, MD**, participated as Site Reviewer to the **Centre Hospitalier Valenciennes, Valenciennes, France**, the final phase of his training as NNACP Site Reviewer, and on 2 May 2017 was certified as NNACP Site Reviewer, the first European Site Reviewer. This brings the number of NNACP Site Reviewers to seven (7).

**f. NNACP Presentations**

In the course of the last NFI year two NNACP presentations were given by James Helm, PhD and gretchen Lawhon, PhD RN CBC FAAN respectively at three different One-Day NIDCAP Conferences on the West Coast in September 2017.

**5. Sub-Committee on the NIDCAP Trainers Meeting Program (g. Lawhon, J. Powlesland and Team)**

The 28th Annual NIDCAP Trainers Meeting will be held 21-24 October 2017, Hotel Chateau-Lacombe, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada entitled 'NIDCAP beyond the NICU'.

The meeting will focus on the impact of the NICU experience and the relevance of NIDCAP during and after a NICU stay. The meeting format will consist of two full days and two half days; the full day on Monday, 23 October 2017 will be open to local NICU/ infancy professionals.

**Attachment 3** presents a copy of the 28<sup>th</sup> Annual NIDCAP Trainers Meeting Program; **Attachment 4** presents a preliminary announcement of the 29th Annual NIDCAP Trainers Meeting in Porto, Portugal.

Porto NIDCAP Trainer Fatima Clemente, MD has been an active member of the Sub-Committee on the NIDCAP Trainers Meeting Program throughout the 2016-2017 NFI Year in order to gain insight for planning the 2018 Porto meeting.

With the new NFI Year 2017-2018 the leadership of the Sub-Committee on the NIDCAP Trainers Meeting Program will shift to Co-Chairs Nikk Conneman, MD and Jean Powlesland, RN MSN from gretchen Lawhon, PhD RN CBC FAAN, who since the very first NIDCAP Trainers Meeting in 1989, chaired tirelessly, initially with Heidelise Als, PhD, and in the last years increasingly assisted by Jean Powlesland, RN MSN, the effort of program development for the annual NIDCAP Trainers Meetings.

NFI Guidelines are under development for Content, Format and Financial Aspects of the NIDCAP Trainers Meeting planning process in order to articulate more clearly the decision making process re financial, content, and format approvals of the plans for a Trainers Meeting. Such guidelines are expected to facilitate the work of the NIDCAP Trainers Meeting Program Sub-Committee.

**6. Sub-Committee on the Standardization of Certificates (S. Kosta)**

All actively certifying NIDCAP Training Centers are and up-to-date in using approved NIDCAP and APIB Certificates, in compliance with the current NFI logo and design specifications. This includes the recently certified Training Centers in Toulouse, France and Edmonton, Alberta, Canada. The Australasian NIDCAP Training Centre is in the process of finalizing its certificate in collaboration with Sandra Kosta.

**7. NIDCAP Foundation Education SC (N. Conneman, J. Helm)**

*Note:* The Synactive-Theory-Based Education Sub-Committee was renamed and is now referred to as the **NIDCAP Foundation Education Sub-Committee**. Nikk Conneman, MD and James Helm, PhD serve as Co-Chairs

The following represents a summary of the 2016-2017 activities of the **NIDCAP Foundation Education Sub-Committee**.

**NFI Sponsored One -Day Conferences**

Under the leadership of James Helm, PhD, Director, Carolina NIDCAP Training Center, Raleigh, NC, NIDCAP Trainer, and with the support of NFI Board Member gretchen Lawhon, PhD, RN, CBC, FAAN, NIDCAP Master Trainer, the NFI organized and held four one-day conferences in 2017 as follows:

7 April 2017, New York City, NY, Weill Cornell Medical College, entitled *Developmental Care of the NICU Infant and Family: Admission to Discharge*. Presenters included James Helm, PhD, gretchen Lawhon, PhD RN CBC FAAN and Erin Sundseth Ross, PhD CCC SLP. Sixty-two participants attended the conference. Exhibitors included Dr. Brown's Medical and Children's Medical Venture/Phillips.

11 – 16 September 2017, three West Coast Conferences: 11 September 2017, Seattle, WA, Seattle's Children's Hospital; 13 September 2017, Oakland, CA, UCSF Benioff Children's Hospital Oakland and 16 September 2017, Los Angeles, CA, UCLA Health System. The three West Coast conferences were entitled *NIDCAP Care within Newborn Intensive Care Nurseries*. Presenters included Kathi Frankel, MS PT, James Helm, PhD, gretchen Lawhon, PhD RN CBC FAAN, and Dorothy Vittner, PhD RN. The Conference in Seattle was attended by 53 participants, in Oakland by 67, and in Los Angeles by 26 participants. Exhibitors included again Dr. Brown's Medical and also Dandle-LION.

Administrative support for all one-Day Conferences was provided by Sandra Kosta, Ayn Cavicchi, and Karen Helm.

**8. North American NIDCAP Taskforce Sub-Committee** (*g. Lawhon, D. Vittner*)

The newly formed North American NIDCAP Trainers Task Force comprises those NIDCAP Trainers in North America, who are interested and available to participate to assess, plan and take steps to revitalize NIDCAP education and training in North America. The task force's efforts focus on the revitalization of formal NIDCAP education, training and certification in North America. Initial Activities have included the development of the NIDCAP Trainer Task Force; the identification of current NIDCAP training issues, concerns, and ideas regarding generation of revitalization and interest in NIDCAP education and training throughout North America; and the development of an action plan for next steps. A survey on current NIDCAP training issues, concerns, and ideas regarding generation of revitalization and interest in NIDCAP education and training throughout North America was developed and distributed. The responses from the North American NIDCAP Trainers were collated. Co-chairs gretchen Lawhon and Dorothy Vittner - sent out a message to all Task Force members and asked that the members review the results of the survey and consider the content of the FINE program, the Israel NIDCAP Foundation program, the Coughlin model and the NFI One Day Conference program prior to the meeting. A special session has been scheduled for the Task Force Members to take place in the context of the 28<sup>th</sup> NIDCAP Trainers Meeting, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada on Sunday, 22 October 2017 at 5pm.

It appears to the Taskforce Co-Chairs that there is a fair amount of overlap of the work of the North American NIDCAP Trainers Task Force and that of the NIDCAP Foundation Education Sub-Committee. The Task Force plans to be in close communication with the NIDCAP Foundation Education Sub-Committee.

**9. Sub-Committee on NIDCAP and Science** (*J. Alberts, G. McAnulty*)

The Sub-Committee on NIDCAP and Science (formerly the Sub-Committee on Scientific Endeavors and Processes) comprises individuals committed to participating in the discussion and dissemination of scientific knowledge pertinent to NIDCAP practice as well as empirical data from NIDCAP-related investigations. Designated members of the Committee serve as advisors to NFI members, who request support in the formulation of research designs and/or proposal preparation for planned research projects. Activities include identification of recently published articles that may be of interest to NFI members, with commentaries as appropriate; provision of support to NFI members engaged in NIDCAP relevant research; provision of early feedback and editing of NFI members' abstracts, posters and other scientific documents that feature NIDCAP-related work; and research mentorship for NFI members. Furthermore, under the leadership of J. Alberts, the Developmental Observer (DO) will be indexed at the Indiana University (IU) library (IU ScholarWorks) with a Digital Object Code ("doi") for each issue. This will facilitate referencing and searching for DO articles, and citation of the DO as a journal. The IU ScholarWorks, an open access archive, at the Indiana University (IU) library, will provide a digital DO

archive in perpetuity at no cost to the NFI and is free to all users around the world. J. Alberts furthermore accomplished publication of the peer-reviewed Research and Clinical Practice Abstracts and invited presentations from the Annual NIDCAP Trainers Meetings. The 2017 Vol. 10 No. 1 DO Edition was issued presenting the 2016 NIDCAP Trainers Meeting Abstract edition.

#### 10. Sub-Committee on the NFI Endorsement of Activities and Products (*H. Als, G. McAnulty, S. Kosta*)

Seven NFI endorsements have been conferred since October 2016, as follows:

**a. Applicant:** Rodd Hedlund, MEd

On 7 October 2016 the NFI Board unanimously endorsed the well-established *Infant Behavioral Assessment and Intervention Program (IBAIP®)*, LLC created by Rodd Hedlund, MEd. The website <http://www.ibaip.org/> provides detailed information regarding the IBAIP. Rodd Hedlund, MEd serves as the IBAIP's Director and national and international Trainer, as well as the Director of the NFI's NIDCAP Nursery Assessment and Certification Program (NNACP).

**b. Applicants:** Dalia Silberstein, RN PhD and Ita Litmanovitz MD PhD

On 25 March 2017 the NFI Board unanimously endorsed new teaching and training program for staff and families entitled *Introductory Course on Family-Centered Developmental Care for the Preterm Infant - the NIDCAP Way* under the new Heidi Center at Meyer Hospital, Kfar Saba, Israel. The first 3 day course and workshop is scheduled to take place 1-4 June 2017. The course will be offered in Hebrew.

**c. Applicants:** Linda Lacina, MSN, RN, HN-BC and Jean Powlesland, MS RN

On 1 February 2017 the NFI Board of Directors offered full endorsement for the 5th Annual Midwest Developmental Care Conference - *Engaging families in the NICU: The Heart of Developmental Care*. This conference, collaboration between the Children's Hospital at the University of Illinois NIDCAP Training Center in Chicago, Illinois USA and the Cincinnati Children's Hospital NIDCAP Training & Research Center Chicago in Cincinnati, Ohio USA, took place at the University of Illinois at Chicago Student Center West on 27-28 April 2017.

**d. Applicants:** Josep Perapoch, MD and the Barcelona-Vall d'Hebron NIDCAP Training Center, Spain - Newborn Intensive Care Nursery

On 1 February 2017 the NFI Board of Directors lent its full endorsement to the video created by the Barcelona-Vall d'Hebron NIDCAP Training Center, Spain - Newborn Intensive Care Nursery (NICN) in support of the inclusion of siblings in their NICU care.

**e. Applicant:** Stéphane V. Sizonenko, MD PhD for the European Association of Developmental Care (EADC)

On 24 April 2017 the NFI Board of Directors unanimously endorsed the *7th Symposium of the Developmental Care in Neonatology and Pediatrics, Paris, France*, held 28-29 September 2017. Speakers included NIDCAP Trainer Nathalie Ratynski, MD, Brest NIDCAP Training Center, France; Pierre Kuhn, MD, and Véronique Pierrat, MD, NFI Professional Members; Catherine Zaoui-Grattepanche, MD, NIDCAP Professional and Contact, NFI Certified NIDCAP Nursery at the Service de Néonatalogie, Centre Hospitalier Centre, Valenciennes, France; and Björn Westrup, MD, PhD Director, Karolinska NIDCAP Training and Research Center, Astrid Lindgren Children's Hospital at Karolinska University Hospital, Stockholm, Sweden.

**f. Applicant:** Erin Sundseth Ross, PhD CCC SLP

On 12 April 2017 the NFI Board of Directors unanimously endorsed the following three courses '*Supporting Oral Feeding in Fragile Infants (SOFFI) Method*' taught by Erin Ross, PhD CCC SLP:

(1) New Brunswick, NJ, 15 – 16 SEP 2017; (2) Denver Colorado, 22-23 September 2017; and (3) Omaha Nebraska, 13 – 14 October 2017.

**g. Applicants:** Dalia Silberstein, RN PhD and Ita Litmanovitz MD PhD

On 23 September 2017 the NFI Board unanimously endorsed the newly developed Advanced Course in Family-Centered Developmental Care According to NIDCAP. under the Heidi Center at Meyer Hospital, Kfar Saba, Israel, and entitled 'Infant Behaviour and the Role of Caregivers in Structuring Developmental Care According to NIDCAP'.

The first 3-Day Advanced Course is scheduled to take place in February 2018. The course will be offered in Hebrew.

**NOTE:** *Sub-Committee on the Protection of NFI Intellectual Property (G. McAnulty). This Sub-Committee used to fall under the auspices of the NFI Program Committee; in April 2017 it was reassigned to the NFI Governance Committee. The Governance Committee Report will detail the Sub-Committee's actions taken in the course of Board Year 2016-2017. The NFI Program Committee greatly valued its close working relationship with the Sub-Committee of Intellectual Property and with the Sub-Committee's highly capable and conscientious Chair, Gloria McAnulty, PhD. The NFI Program Committee wishes to thank Gloria McAnulty, PhD for her many years of excellent work on behalf of the NFI's extensive international Training and Certification Program products and property, as well as for her tireless and painstaking work on NFI trademark, name and product protection.*

The Chair of the Program Committee herewith respectfully submits the Program Committee Report to the NFI Board of Directors for acceptance on this Day, Friday, the 20<sup>th</sup> of October in the Year 2017.

Signature: Heidelise Als.

Heidelise Als, Ph.D.  
Chair, NFI Program Committee

Date: 20 October 2017

**Four Attachments**



**NIDCAP Training Centers, NIDCAP Training Centers in Development, NIDCAP Nurseries, NNACP Applicants, NIDCAP and APIB Trainers & NIDCAP and APIB Trainers-in-Training as of 30 September 2017**

**NIDCAP Training Centers (23 active, 1 inactive)**

**United States (7 active, 1 inactive)**

**National NIDCAP Training Center, *Established 1982***

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**Sooner NIDCAP Training Center, *Established 1986 (Inactive)***

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**West Coast NIDCAP and APIB Training Center at University of California San Francisco School of Medicine, *Established 2008, first established Oakland, CA 1987***

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**Children's Hospital of University of Illinois (CHUI) NIDCAP Training Center, *Established 2006***

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**St. Joseph's Hospital NIDCAP Training Center, *Established 2012***

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**Canada (1 active)**

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## **Europe (13 active)**

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**Italian Modena NIDCAP Training Center, *Established 2013***

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**Sao Joao NIDCAP Training Center, Porto, Portugal, *Established 2015***

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## **NIDCAP Training Centers in Development (2 Centers)**

### **1. Meir Medical Center, Kfar Saba, Israel**

NIDCAP Trainers-in-Training: Ita Litmanovitz, MD & Dalia Silberstein, RN, PhD

NIDCAP Master Trainer: g. Lawhon/APIB Master Trainer: H. Als

Projected Establishment: 2017

### **2. Ospedale degli Infermi, Rimini, Italy**

NIDCAP Trainers-in-Training: Natascia Simeone, RN

NIDCAP Master and APIB Trainer: G. Basso

Projected Establishment: 2017 – 2018

## **NIDCAP Nurseries (6 active, 2 inactive)**

### **1. St. Luke's Children's Hospital NICU (*Inactive*)**

St. Luke's Children's Hospital

190 East Bannock St.

Boise, Idaho, 83712 USA

Year of NIDCAP Nursery Certification: 2008 (Certification expired)

Nursery Level: Level III nursery on Main Campus and Level II Nursery at Meridian Campus

Size of Nursery: 61 beds on Main Campus; 12 on Meridian Campus

Contact Person:

Phone Number: 208-381-4374 or 208-859-2239

Email Address:

### **2. Newborn Intensive Care Unit of Children's Regional Hospital at Cooper University Health Care (*Inactive*)**

Children's Regional Hospital at Cooper University Health Care

One Cooper Plaza

Camden, New Jersey 08103 USA

Year of NIDCAP Nursery Certification: 2009 (Certification expired)

Nursery Level: Levels II and III – high acuity; no ECHMO or Infant Cardiac Surgery

Size of Nursery: 34 beds

Contact Person: Gary Stahl, MD

Phone Number: 856-342-2265

Email Address: Stahl-gary@cooperhealth.edu

**3. Jeannette and Ron Doggett Neonatal Intensive Care Unit**

WakeMed – Raleigh Campus  
3000 New Bern Avenue  
Raleigh, NC 27610

Year of NIDCAP Nursery Certification: 2012; 2016

Nursery Level: IV

Size of Nursery: 42 beds

Contact Person: James M Helm, PhD

Phone Number: 919-350-8276

Email Address: [jhelm@wakemed.org](mailto:jhelm@wakemed.org)

**4. University Hospital Brest**

University Hospital  
29609 Brest Cedex, France

Year of NIDCAP Nursery Certification: 2012

Nursery Level: III

Size of Nursery: 26 beds (6 level III, 20 level II)

Contact Person: Jacques Sizun, MD

Phone Number: +33 298 22 36 66

Email address: [jacques.sizun@chu-brest.fr5](mailto:jacques.sizun@chu-brest.fr5).

**5. Meir Medical Center NICU**

Meir Medical Center  
59 Tchernihowski St  
Kfar Saba, Israel

Year of NIDCAP Nursery Certification: 2013; 2017

Nursery Level: III

Size of Nursery: 30 beds (intensive, intermediate and stable growing)

Contact Person: Dalia Silberstein

Phone Number: +97254 4743328

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**6. Neonatalklinikken at Rigshospitalet, Copenhagen, Denmark**

Neonatalklinikken, Rigshospitalet  
Juliane Maries vej 5, 2100 Koebenhavn  
Copenhagen, Denmark

Year of NIDCAP Nursery Certification: 2015

Nursery Level: III

Size of Nursery: 30 beds (intensive, intermediate and stable growing)

Contact Person: Janny Høeg, CCRN,

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**7. NICU at the University Hospital, Linköping, Sweden**

Neonatal IVA, NICN  
University Hospital  
581 85 Linköping, Sweden

Year of NIDCAP Nursery Certification: 2015  
Nursery Level: III  
Size of Nursery: 30 beds (intensive, intermediate and stable growing)  
Contact Person: Marie Hassel, Head Nurse of NICN  
Phone Number: +46101031348  
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**8. Service de Néonatalogie, Centre Hospitalier**

Avenue Desandrouin  
59300 Valenciennes, France

Year of NIDCAP Nursery Certification: 2016  
Nursery Level: II & III  
Size of Nursery: 36 Beds (6 II; 10 III; 4 Convalescent Care; 10 Kangaroo Unit; 6 Koala Unit)  
Contact Person: Catherine Zaoui-Grattepanche, MD, NIDCAP Professional  
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Email Address: [zaoui-c@ch-valenciennes.fr](mailto:zaoui-c@ch-valenciennes.fr)

**Current NIDCAP Nursery Certification Applicants (4 Nurseries)**

**1. University of Turin, Torino, Italy**

Contact: Enrico Bertino, MD (Director of NICU and Neonatology)  
(Application Part I received: June 2014; Application Part I fee received: 8/7/2014)

**2. Hospital of the University of Modena, Modena, Italy**

Contact: Fabrizio Ferrari, MD PhD (Director of NICU and Neonatology)  
(NNACP Guide and NNACP Application: Part I sent by NNACP Director: 11/11/14)

**3. Ospedale De Infermi, Rimini, Italy**

Contact: Gina Ancora, MD PhD (Director of NICU and Neonatology)  
(Application Part I fee received: 4/19/2016)

**4. The Children's Hospital, King Fahad Medical City, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia**

Application Part I approved July 2016; Application Part II under review as of 9/26/2016

## **NIDCAP and APIB Trainers-in-Training, NIDCAP and APIB Trainers, and NIDCAP and APIB Master Trainers**

### **Senior NIDCAP Master Trainer (3 active)**

Heidelise Als, PhD  
Graciela Basso, MD PhD  
Agneta Kleberg, RN PhD

### **NIDCAP Master Trainers (4 active)**

Joy Browne, PhD  
Deborah Buehler, PhD  
gretchen Lawhon, RN, PhD  
Kathleen VandenBerg, PhD

### **NIDCAP Master Trainers-in-Training (1 active)**

Karen Smith, RNC, MEd

### **Senior NIDCAP Trainers (5 active and 1 inactive)**

Nikk Conneman, MD  
James Helm, PhD  
Melissa Johnson, PhD  
Dorothy Vittner, RN, MSN  
Inga Warren, Dip COT MSc  
*Deana DeMare, PT (Inactive)*

### **NIDCAP Trainers (29 active, 2 inactive)**

Juliana Acuna Muga, RN  
Natascia Bertoncelli, PT PhD  
Natalie Broghammer, RN  
Fatima Camba, MD  
*Tammy Casper, MSN, MEd, RN (inactive)*  
Fatima Clemente, MD  
Delphine Druart, RN  
*Christine Fischer, MD (inactive)*  
Estrella Gargallo, RN  
Nadine Griffith, RN MSN  
Ann Sofi Ingman, RN, BSN  
Eva Jörgensen, RN  
Rodd Hedlund, MEd  
Liv Ellen Helseth, RN  
Jennifer Hofherr, OTR/L  
Birgit Holzhüter, MD  
Gillian Kennedy, SLT  
Linda Lacina, RN  
Sandra Lescure, MD  
Maria Lopez Maestro, MD  
Sylvie Minguy, RN

**NIDCAP Trainers, cont.**

Laurie Mouradian, ScD, OTR/L  
Bonni Moyer, MSPT  
Monique Oude Reimer, RN  
Celine Prout, RN  
Juzer Tyebkhan, MD  
Josep Perapoch, MD  
Jean Powlesland, RN, MS  
Nathalie Ratynski, MD  
Unni Tomren, RN  
Marla Wood, RN, MEd

**NIDCAP Trainers-in-Training** (6 active, 2 pending)

Silvia Catani, MD (Italian Modena NIDCAP Training Center, Modena, Italy)  
Laura Goldberg, MD (Centro Latinoamericano NIDCAP) (*Application under review*)  
Stina Klemming, MD (Karolinska NIDCAP Center, Sweden) (*Application under review*)  
Ita Litmanovitz, MD (Meir Hospital, Kfar Saba, Israel)  
Andrea Nykipilo, RN (Edmonton, Alberta Canada NIDCAP Training Center in Development)  
Madalena Ramos, RN, MSc (Sao Joao NIDCAP Training Center, Porto, Portugal)  
Dalia Silberstein, RN, PhD (Meir Hospital, Kfar Saba, Israel)  
Natascia Simeone, RN (Ospedale degli Infermi, Rimini, Italy)

**Senior APIB Master Trainer** (1 active)

Heidelise Als, PhD

**Senior APIB Master Trainer-in-Training** (1 active)

Deborah Buehler, PhD

**Senior APIB Trainer** (1 active)

Graciela Basso, MD

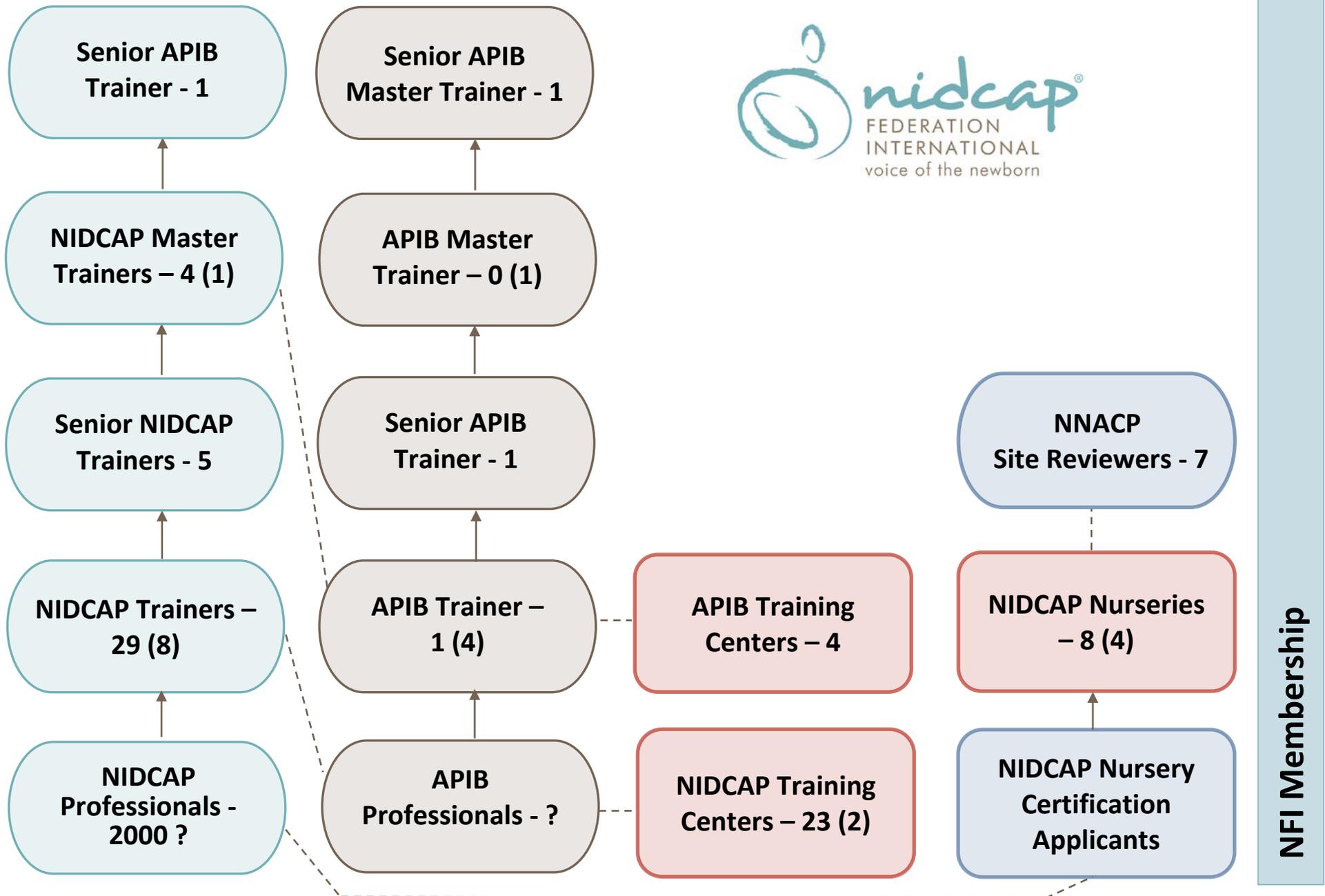
**APIB Trainer** (1 active)

Joy Browne, PhD

**APIB Trainers-in-Training** (4 active)

Samantha Butler, PhD  
gretchen Lawhon, RN, PhD  
Karen Smith, RNC, MEd  
Dorothy Vittner, RN, MSN

# NFI - Training and Certification Opportunities for Nurseries and Individual Professionals





**NIDCAP Nursery Assessment and Certification Program (NNACP)  
Steering Committee, Sub-Committee of the  
NFI Program Committee**

**May 2017 to October 2017  
Meeting of the NFI Board of Directors  
Hotel Chateau-Lacombe  
Edmonton, Alberta, Canada  
20 October 2017**

**NFI Board Members:** J. Alberts, H. Als, D. Buehler, H. Conneman, R. Cummings, M. Daly, J. Helm, G. Lawhon, G. McAnulty, K. Spence, B. Westrup.

**NNACP Steering Committee:** Co-Chairs: D. Buehler, K. Smith  
Members: H. Als, G. McAnulty, S. Kosta

**NNACP Director:** R. Hedlund

This report briefly describes the work conducted by the members of the NIDCAP Nursery Assessment and Certification Program (NNACP) Steering Committee since the NFI Board of Directors Meeting, Courtyard by Marriott Boston – Woburn, Woburn, Massachusetts, 29-30 April 2017

**I. International Nursery Assessment and Certification and Applications**

**Italian NNACP Applicants**

- ❖ Enrico Bertino, MD  
NICU and Neonatology, University of Turin  
Presidio Ospedaliero Sant'Anna  
Via Ventimiglia 3, Torino, 10126, Italia

Recently 3/14/17, received an update from Alessandra Coscia, Immacolata Arenga, Laura Reghin, Manuela Mosca, Margherita Nicocia and Patrizia Strola with regards to the progress they are making towards attaining NIDCAP Nursery Certification. The hospital management team appears to be highly supportive of the NICU leadership team and this endeavor. This nursery has completed NNACP Application: Part I (Waiting for two developmental write-ups).

- ❖ Fabrizio Ferrari, MD  
Italian Modena NIDCAP Training Center  
Modena University Hospital, Modena, Italy  
Contact: Natascia Bertoncelli, PT  
NICN leadership team is now working towards completing NNACP Application: Part I

- ❖ Gina Ancora, MD  
Nataschia Simeone, RN Clinical Nurse Specialist, NIDCAP Professional  
Ospedale Infermi di Rimini  
Rimini, Italy  
Completed NNACP Application: Part I. They are now working towards completing  
NNACP Application: Part II.

### **Kingdom of Saudi Arabia**

- ❖ Sameh Abozaid, MD  
Consultant Neonatologist  
Chairman of Neonatology Department  
Assistant Professor of Pediatrics at King Saud University for Health Sciences  
Selvie Dela Cena, RN, NIDCAP Team Leader  
Neonatal Intensive Care Unit - Children's Specialized Hospital  
King Fahad Medical City  
Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

The nursery leadership team of the Children's Hospital, King Fahad Medical City, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia submitted NNACP Application: Part II. A review of this application was conducted in November, 2016 and a NNACP Summary Report was sent to Dr. Abozaid on December 15, 2016. Additional work is needed before NNACP Application: Part II is ready to be submitted to the NNACP Site Reviewers. Dr. Abozaid responded (December 29, 2016) by stating that the NICN NIDCAP leadership team has developed an Action Plan to address specific suggestions that were discussed in the NNACP Summary Report. He continues to welcome the assistance of Dr. Nikk Conneman to support the team in re-submitting NNACP Application: Part II.

## **II. Update of NIDCAP Nursery Certification Renewal Applications: Year 2**

### **A. Submitted Year 2 NIDCAP Nursery Certification Renewal Applications**

- 1 The Jeannette and Ron Doggett Neonatal Intensive Care Nursery of WakeMed, Raleigh, North submitted Year 2 Certification Renewal Application and the Application Fee of \$500, January 17, 2017. This application was reviewed by the NNACP Steering Committee and submitted to the Board of Directors of the NFI. This application was approved, May, 2017.
- 2 Newborn Intensive Care Service, Meir Hospital Medical Center, Kfar Saba, Israel submitted Year 2 Certification Renewal Application, July 25, 2017, and the Application Fee of \$500, August 4, 2017.

B. The following three NIDCAP Nursery Certified sites received final NIDCAP Nursery Certification Renewal Application Letters: Year 2 in April, 2017. These sites were to have responded to the NNACP Steering Committee by October 1, 2017.

1. Newborn Intensive Care Nursery at St. Luke's Children's Hospital, Boise, Idaho. This nursery has decided not to apply for NIDAP Nursery Certification Renewal: Year 2.

2. Newborn Intensive Care Service, Centre Hospitalier Universitaire de Brest, Brest, France. A letter informing this nursery that it is no longer certified as a NIDCAP Nursery, will be sent to this site (October, 2017).
3. The Newborn Intensive Care Nursery of The Children's Regional Hospital at Cooper University Hospital, Camden, New Jersey. A letter informing this nursery that it is no longer certified as a NIDCAP Nursery, will be sent to this site (October, 2017).

C. Applicants to receive NNACP Renewal Certification: Year 2, in October 1, 2017, include:

1. Fredrik Lundberg, MD, Neonatologist, Head of Department  
NICN, Pediatric Clinic  
University Hospital  
581 85 Linköping, Sweden  
NNACP Nursery Certification Summary Report issued October 9, 2015

The NNACP Director received an unsolicited email from this nursery, July 31, 2017, informing him that the NICU Leadership group of the University Hospital at Linköping, Sweden will be submitting an NNACP Certification Renewal Application: Year 2, in the very near future.

2. Steen Hertel, MD, Medical Director  
Mette Andersen, RN, Nursing  
Janne Weis, RN, PhD  
Neonataalklinikken, Rigshospitalet  
Copenhagen, Denmark  
NNACP Nursery Certification Summary Report issued August 1, 2015

### III. NNACP Site Reviewer

- ❖ **Nikk Conneman, MD:** Nikk Conneman completed his second NNACP Site Review Visit at the Service de Néonatalogie, Centre Hospitalier, Valenciennes, France, September 19-21, 2016. He submitted the following documents, which were reviewed by the NNACP Steering Committee:

- A Reflective Journal: *Experiencing the NNACP Application and Review Process*, submitted by Nikk Conneman, MD; December 12, 2016.
- Karen Smith's evaluation of Nikk Conneman as a NNACP Site Reviewer;
- Melissa Johnson's evaluation of Nikk Conneman as a NNACP Site Reviewer; and
- Rodd Hedlund's recommendation to the NNACP Steering Committee.

A letter and the documents above were submitted to the Board of Directors of the NFI for their review. Nikk Conneman was certified as a NNACP Site Reviewer, May 2, 2017.

#### IV. NNACP Presentations

Environment: Elements that Support Development. James Helm. NIDCAP Care within Newborn Intensive Care Nurseries, NFI Regional One Day Conferences: U.S. West Coast Seattle, WA / Oakland, CA / Los Angeles, CA, 2017.

Facilitating Staff Satisfaction and Sense of Accomplishment in the NICU. gretchen Lawhon. NIDCAP Care within Newborn Intensive Care Nurseries, NFI Regional One Day Conferences: U.S. West Coast Seattle, WA / Oakland, CA / Los Angeles, CA, 2017.

Planned: *NIDCAP Nursery Self-Assessment: The Key Tool for NIDCAP Trainers, Tuesday, October 24, 2017, 10:00-11:00.* 28<sup>th</sup> Annual NIDCAP Trainers Meeting, Chateau Lacombe 10111 Bellamy Hill Rd NW Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, hosted by the NIDCAP Training Center in Development at Stollery Children's Hospital, Edmonton.

#### V. Development of NNACP Article to be Submitted for Publication

The NNACP Director is working towards the development of an article on the NNACP to be submitted to be published in a nursing/medical journal.

We herewith respectfully submit the NNACP Steering Committee's Report for the period of May, 2017 –October, 2017 to the Members of the NFI Board on this Day of the 19th of October in the Year 2017.



Rodd E. Hedlund, MEd  
Director  
NFI-NIDCAP Nursery Assessment and Certification Program



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**28<sup>th</sup> Annual NIDCAP Trainers Meeting**  
**Chateau Lacombe Hotel**  
**Edmonton, Alberta, Canada**  
**October 21 – 24, 2017**

***“NIDCAP Beyond the NICU”***

**Saturday, October 21, 2017**

**0730 Breakfast in Salon B**  
**Mutual Introductions and Review of NIDCAP Center and NIDCAP**  
**Center in Development Overview Posters**

**General Session, Salon A**

Kaye Spence,  
Alison Loughran Fowlds,  
Moderators

**0900 Welcome**

Ernest Phillipos,  
Andrea Nykipilo, and  
Juzer Tyebkhan

**0915 Behavioral Phenotype of Prematurity**

Paige Terrien Church

**1000 Family Presentation: Adolescent Challenges Beyond the Newborn**  
**Intensive Care Unit**

Andrew Thomson  
Dawn Gordon

**1030 Break in the Foyer with Exhibitors in the Promenade**  
**and the NIDCAP Center Posters in the Lacombe Room**

**1100 Reflection**

Deborah Buehler

**1130 Accomplishments and Overview of Training Efforts**

Jim Helm

**1200 Networking Lunch in Salon B**

Nadine Griffiths,  
Krystal Johnson, Facilitators

**Afternoon Session in Salon A**

Christian Poets, Moderator

**1330 Leadership is INFLUENCE: NIDCAP and the Science of Change**

John Van Aerde

**1630 Adjournment**

**1635 Photo Session Location TBD**

**1700 Excursion: Walk in North Saskatchewan River Valley**  
**Please Meet in the Lobby**

Edmonton Team

**1900 Dinner in Salon A/B with Music and Dancing to Follow**

## Sunday, October 22, 2017

0700	Breakfast in Salon B	
	<b>General Session in Salon A</b>	Kathi Frankel, Dorothy Vittner, Moderators
0800	Nurturing the Trainer	Joy Browne, Facilitator
0915	Infant Mental Health in the Newborn Intensive Care Unit	Brandene Lorrain
1000	Break in the Foyer with Exhibitors in the Promenade and the NIDCAP Center Posters in the Lacombe Room	
1020	Mindfulness Practice for Stress Reduction in Neonatal Intensive Care Unit Staff	Kumar Kumaran Priscilla Koop
1105	NIDCAP Federation International Annual Membership Meeting	Deborah Buehler, Facilitator
1245	Lunch in Salon B	
1400	Excursion: An Entertaining Canadian Winter Activity - Please Meet in Lobby (Requires Co-Regulation and Facilitation)	
1830	Wine and Cheese Reception Sponsored by Dräger (River Valley Room)	
1930	Dinner in Salon A/B	

## Monday, October 23, 2017

0700	Breakfast in Salon A/B	
	<b>General Session in Salon A/B</b>	Mandy Daly, Stina Klemming, Moderators
0800	Welcome to the NIDCAP Scientific Forum	Kristy Cunningham
0805	Coming of Age, 21 Years of NIDCAP in Edmonton	Juzer Tyebkhan
0830	Neurodevelopmental Care Policies, Practices and Outcomes in France: The Epipage-2 Cohort Study	Veronique Pierrat
0915	Navigating the System after Discharge from the NICU: A Family's Perspective	Shannon Haszard Dan Coulton
0945	Reflective Session with Refreshments	Melissa Johnson, Facilitator
1030	Multidisciplinary Panel Presentation: NIDCAP and the Surgical NICU	
1030	The Impact of Neurodevelopmental Follow Up on Hearing Loss after Early Cardiac Surgery	Charlene Robertson
1045	The Brain Protection Team, Edmonton	Krystal Johnson, Chloe Joynt
1100	NICU Life: Normalizing the Abnormal (Family Presentation)	Brandie Thomas
1115	NIDCAP in the Cardiac NICU, Boston	Samantha Butler
1130	Engaging Surgeons in NIDCAP, Australia	Kaye Spence
1145	Bridging the Gap: Integrating Clinical Observations with Developmental Follow Up, Australia	Alison Loughran Fowlds
1200	Summary and Discussion	Leonora Hendson, Moderator

<b>1230</b>	<b>Lunch in Salon A/B with Exhibitors in the Promenade and Abstract Posters in the Lacombe Room</b>	
	<b>Afternoon Session in Salon A/B</b>	Nikk Conneman, Kelly Jansen, Moderators
<b>1330</b>	<b>Insights from the Beating Heart: Heart Rate Variability and Skin to Skin Care</b>	Rohan Joshi
<b>1415</b>	<b>Abstracts</b>	Linda Lacina, Facilitator
<b>1415</b>	<b>Implementing Skin-to-Skin Care and Alternative Touch Methods in a Surgical Neonatal Intensive Care Unit</b>	Valerie Levesque
<b>1430</b>	<b>POETri – Positive Oral Experiences Training: A Quality improvement Project to Foster Oral Skill Development in Preterm Infants</b>	Matt Hicks
<b>1445</b>	<b>Neurobehavioural Disorganisation (NBD) as a Result of Targeted Neonatal Echocardiography (TNE) in Extremely Preterm Infants---a Pilot Study</b>	Juzer Tyebkhan
<b>1500</b>	<b>The EDIN Pain Scale Administered by the Mother in the NICU. Validation of a New Pain Assessment Model</b>	Nataschia Simeone
<b>1515</b>	<b>Break in the Foyer Sponsored by Getinge/Maquet Dynamed with Exhibitors in the Promenade and Abstract Posters in the Lacombe Room including:</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lifting nursing to new heights: Expert RN to NIDCAP Professional and beyond (Diane Ballweg)</li> <li>• Contribution of maternal mental state talk to joint attention abilities in late preterm infants (Fatima Clemente)</li> <li>• Negative affect in the mother-child relationship in preterm infants; predictors and later correlates (Fatima Clemente)</li> <li>• Joint attention abilities in late preterm infants at 15 months old; individual and relational contributions (Fatima Clemente)</li> <li>• The effects of maternal voice and heartbeat on newborns from 26 to 33 weeks of gestational age (Fatima Clemente)</li> <li>• Being a mother of preterm multiples in the context of socioeconomic adversity; psychological symptoms, daily stress, and sensitivity (Fatima Clemente)</li> <li>• Assessing infant-oriented care with developmental support approach in Iranian NICUs (Mohammad Heidarzadeh – presented by Marzieh Hasanpour)</li> <li>• Meaning making in response to unspeakable loss: The development of a healing butterfly garden by members of a parent peer support group (Laurie Mouradian)</li> </ul>	
<b>1545</b>	<b>Abstracts continued</b>	
<b>1545</b>	<b>Comparison of Established Neurobehavioral Profiles for Healthy Infants to Preterm NICU Infants</b>	Dorothy Vittner
<b>1600</b>	<b>Impact of a New Model Round with Parental Presence on Family and Professionals</b>	Maria Maestro Ryan Yuen
<b>1615</b>	<b>Free Parking for Parents of Infants in the NICU</b>	Christie Oswald, Sarah Topilko
<b>1630</b>	<b>Implementation of a NICU Family Mentor Program</b>	gretchen Lawhon
<b>1645</b>	<b>Newborn Bridge Clinic to Support Infant Transition Home</b>	Jennifer Toye
<b>1700</b>	<b>Support for Parents of Preterm Infants Post-NICU Discharge</b>	Allison Massey
<b>1715</b>	<b>From TIMP to Toddler: Developmental Care from NICU to Home</b>	
<b>1730</b>	<b>Adjournment</b>	
<b>1830</b>	<b>Gala Evening at La Ronde (Chateau Lacombe Revolving Restaurant) (Attire is semi-formal)</b>	
<b>1830</b>	<b>Cocktails</b>	
<b>1930</b>	<b>Dinner</b>	

**Tuesday, October 24, 2017**

**0700 Breakfast in Salon B**

Jessica Bowen  
Jean Powlesland,  
Moderators

**General Session in Salon A**

**0800 Concurrent Sessions – Choose which one to attend**

- **How to Read a Meta-Analysis (River Valley Room)**
- **Phenomenological Research: Addressing the Enigmatic in Neonatal Intensive Care (Salon A)**
- **Interactive Activity: The Brain Architecture Game (Salon B)**

Manoj Kumar  
Michael van Manen  
Brandene Lorrain  
Andrea Nykipilo

**0930 Break in the Foyer**

**1000 NIDCAP Nursery Self-Assessment: The Key Tool for NIDCAP Trainers**

Rodd Hedlund, Facilitator

**1100 Abstracts continued**

Marla Wood, Facilitator

**1100 An Enhanced Dynamic and Interactive Mentored Educational Program to Teach NIDCAP Principles in the Critical Care Setting**

Kathi Frankel

**1115 Implementing a Foundational Neuro-Developmental Education Program: One Centre's Experience**

Nadine Griffiths

**1130 The Effect of a Sleep Care Education Program on the Nurses' Knowledge and Practice in Newborn Intensive Care Nursery (NICN)**

Marzieh Hasanpour

**1145 NICU Baby Love Letters**

Jessica Bowen

**1200 Advanced Practicum Experience: A Bitter Sweet Symphony**

Kristen James Nunez

**1215 Presentation of 29<sup>th</sup> Annual NIDCAP Trainers Meeting in 2018**

Fatima Clemente,  
Hercília Guimarães

**1230 Wapiti Ceremony**

Juzer Tyebkhan

**1245 Adjournment**

**1245 Box Lunches in the Foyer**

# 29th Annual NIDCAP Trainers Meeting 19th – 23rd October 2018 Porto, Portugal



***Sheraton Porto Hotel & Spa***  
***Rua Tenente Valadim, 146, 4100-476 Porto***  
***Portugal***



**From East**

Coming from Spain, take the IP4 from Bragança. This will meet the A3. Take the A3 in the direction of Porto/Boavista. Take the Boavista/Foz Exit and go up Boavista Avenue. The hotel is about 500 meters ahead on the Left.

**From North**

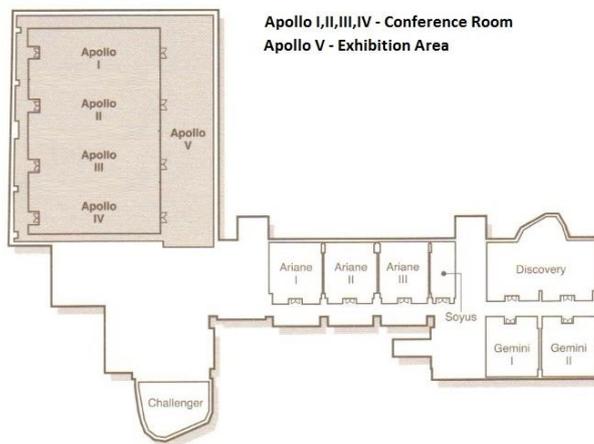
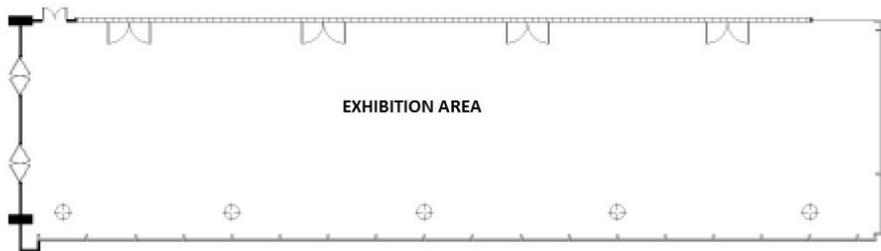
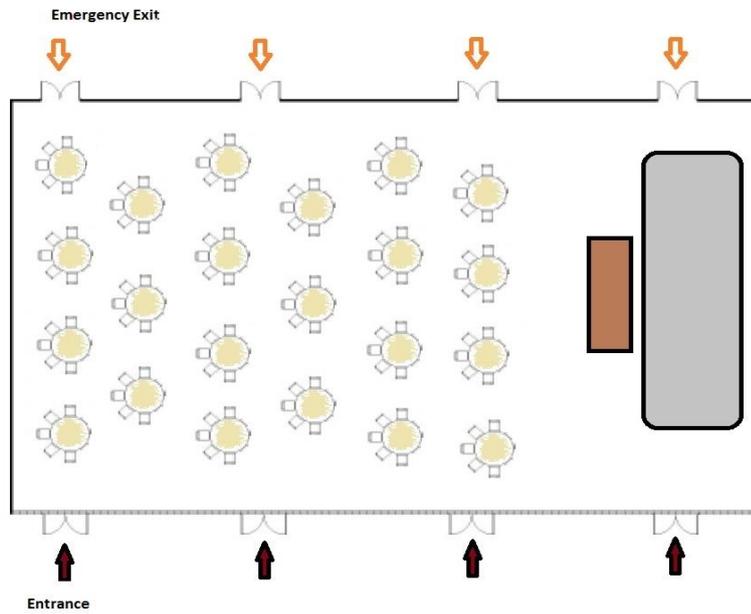
Take the A3 in the direction of Porto/Boavista. Take the Boavista/Foz Exit and go up Av. Boavista. The hotel is about 500 meters ahead on the left.

**From South**

Take Highway A1 and after crossing Ponte Arrabida, take the second Exit, called Bessa Leite. After getting off the highway, go up Boavista Avenue. The hotel is about 500 meters ahead on the left.

# Sheraton Porto Hotel & Spa

## Conference Room



## All-inclusive Meeting Package

**There are two options:**

**Single room: 1.170€** value not yet confirmed / estimated!

The Single room package includes:

- Meeting registration;
- Accommodations (Check-in Friday 19 October – check-out Tuesday 23 October);
- Tax;
- All meals (breakfast Saturday 20 October, through breakfast Tuesday 23 October);
- Coffee breaks during meeting;
- Half day – Porto City Tour: Bus&Boat with Dinner at Cellars
- Finger Food Lunch or Lunch box on Tuesday 23 October.
- Dinner on Friday 19 October is on your own.
- Please, indicate on the Registration Form any dietary restrictions, limitations or preferences you may have.

**Double room: 940€ (per person)** value not yet confirmed / estimated!

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### **Accommodations Before and After the Meeting Package Dates**

For accommodations prior to October 19, or on and after October 23, the following rates apply:

**135 €** Single room (breakfast and tax are included)

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### **Guest Package**

**There are two options:**

**Guest “All-inclusive” fee: 710€ (per person in a double room with a meeting participant) value not yet confirmed / estimated!**

The package includes:

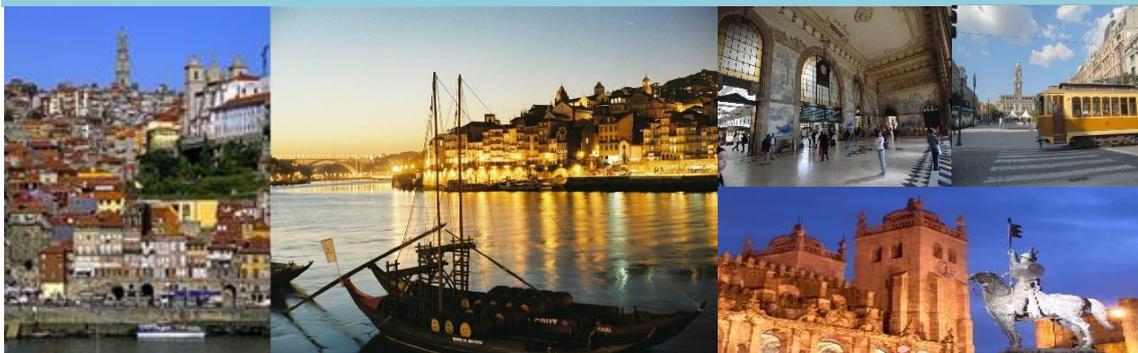
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**Guest “Half Board” fee: 530€ (per person in a double room with a meeting participant) value not yet confirmed / estimated!**

The package includes:

- Accommodations (Check-in Friday 19 October – check-out Tuesday 23 October);
- Tax;
- All breakfasts and dinners (Saturday 20 October, through breakfast Tuesday 23 October);
- Afternoon – Porto City Tour; - Bus+Boat +Dinner at Cellars
- Dinner on Friday 23 October is on your own.
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## HALF-DAY- PORTO CITY TOUR – BUS&BOAT



22 OCTOBER | Thursday



### TOUR DESCRIPTION

Departure by bus from the venue to the second largest city in Portugal, we will make a panoramic visit over Porto, World Heritage since 1996. This tour will give you a general idea of the city, its historical and modern quarters linking the past to the future showing its social and cultural aspects.

Then we will depart in a cruise, in which we can enjoy the magnificent view, and the six bridges that unite Porto and Gaia. You can observe the Ribeira of Porto, the Monastery of Serra do Pilar, the Six Bridges: Ponte Luís I, Ponte Maria Pia, Ponte de São João, Ponte da Arrábida, Ponte do Freixo and Ponte do Infante.

Afterwards it will be time for Dinner in a Port Wine Cellars savouring our gastronomy and Return to the venue. End of the tour.

- Included:**
- ▶ Private Autopullman
  - ▶ Dinner and Beverage
  - ▶ 1 hour Cruise
  - ▶ Guided visit to the Wine Cellars

### Important Information

- ▶ Departure from the congress venue at 14h30m
- ▶ Return to the congress venue +/- at 23h30m
- ▶ Admission to Museums/ Monuments not included.

## PORT WINE CELLARS



### **Registration**

The registration form will be online at [www.skyros-congressos.com](http://www.skyros-congressos.com)

The meeting hosts will arrange room reservations with the hotel so there is no need to contact the hotel.

If staying additional nights beyond those covered by the meeting package, please indicate on registration form your check-in and check-out dates. The meeting hosts will arrange all extra nights' accommodations as well.

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