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Healthcare Professionals Education on Prematurity New Online CME/CEU Course

The Kentucky Perinatal Association (KPA) cordially invites you to participate in a new online CME/CEU course developed by Kentucky Perinatal Association board members under the leadership of Dr. Henrietta Bada, President-Elect of the KPA and Head of Neonatology at the University of Kentucky, who lead the design and implementation this course under a grant awarded by the Greater Kentucky Chapter of the March of Dimes.

As you know, the national and state March of Dimes organizations are in the midst of a five year campaign to educate both the general public and health care professionals about the crisis of prematurity. This problem unfortunately has been increasing in Kentucky as well. The KPA determined we could contribute to these national and state March of Dimes initiatives by creating this course geared toward busy health care professionals to help bring state-specific information concerning this health care crisis.

Physicians and Nurses can earn CME and CEU credits in this course which can be taken from the comfort of your home or office. It is our hope that all perinatal nurses as well as all obstetricians, family physicians, pediatricians, med-peds physicians in the Commonwealth will take this on line course and use its information to help improve the welfare of newborns in Kentucky and address the problem of prematurity. Other allied health professionals who work in the perinatal realm - e.g. home health care workers, social workers to name a couple - are also welcomed and encouraged to take this course.

To access the HPEP Course:
If you want participant go through KPA website.
<http://www.kentuckyperinatal.com/Education.html>

Course Comments

- Quick and easy review; nicely summarized.
- Excellent
- Very Informative
- Excellent program. Enjoyed taking the CME course via WEB base program
- Excellent Presentation! Looking forward to more of such courses. Felt like I was in a tertiary care facility again, where there is ample food for thought. The geographic distance was certainly bridged by enabling a course like this one to be taken from home.

KPA Board Member Activity for 2005 and 2006

Since our last Annual Education meeting in June 2005, KPA board members have continued to be aware of important state and national perinatal issues. For example:

July 2005: the KPA collaborated with the Kentucky Academy of Family Physicians and the Kentucky Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics in urging state

physicians to support the new state expanded newborn metabolic screening program. A letter sent to all state physicians read in part:

The Kentucky Pediatric Society (KPS), Kentucky Perinatal Association (KPA) and the Kentucky Academy of Family Physicians (KAFFP) ask you to support the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services' Newborn Screening Program <http://chfs.ky.gov/dph/ach/newbornscreening.htm>. You can show your support by asking your hospital administrator to continue utilizing the state laboratory screening services which is only one component of this comprehensive public health program...The comprehensive Newborn Screening Program includes not only the lab testing but also a confirmatory testing of the abnormal samples, patient database management system, parental counseling, and provider education, Nurse Case Manager, and funding to University of Kentucky and University of Louisville's Schools of Medicine for a Metabolic Specialist. We believe our state wide program that is supported by all hospitals is superior to any offered in the private sector. Our concern is that if even one hospital elects not to participate then the standard of care for newborns in that hospital will deteriorate.

This letter was jointly signed by John Morrison, MD of the KPA, Rob Revelette, MD, AAP of the Kentucky Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics, and by William J. Crump, MD, FAAFP of the Kentucky Academy of Family Physicians.

October 2005 NPA: John Morrison MD, KPA Past President and National Perinatal Association Board member, attended the National Perinatal Association annual education meeting in Lincolnshire Illinois outside Chicago. "The NPA is very active in recruiting new individual, state and sponsor members." He remarks. "The next NPA education meeting will be in Washington DC at the Melrose Hotel. Please check out the agenda for this educational opportunity at the conference registration link: https://www.nationalperinatal.org/conference/reg_form.cfm. I encourage KPA members to take advantage of NPA memberships. Transcultural competencies remains an important focus for the NPA.

Dec 2005: Expanded Newborn Screening: KPA board members continue to monitor expansion of expanded newborn screening that went officially live on January 1, 2006. Under the leadership of two KPA ex-officio board members, Dr. Steve Davis, state Deputy Commissioner, Department of Public Health, and Dr. Ruth Ann Shepherd, Division Director, Division of Adult and Child Health Improvement, the state's working group on newborn screening led by physician experts from the University of Kentucky and the University of Louisville have worked diligently to get the expanded program up and running. One talk during the June 2006 Annual Meeting will address this expansion from a local and state perspective.

Jan 2006: HPEP Goes Live: Dr. Henrietta Bada, KPA President-Elect, is a neonatologist at UK; but in a different role, she truly has delivered a new baby called HPEP. Hers was truly a labor of love to bring the CME/CEU course alive.

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The KPA

KPA Information

The Kentucky Perinatal Association is a non-profit incorporated volunteer association of health care providers, consumers and organizations with a common purpose toward the recognition of maternal-infant health care issues dedicated to the provision of comprehensive solutions through educational outreach and advocacy.

Started in 1988, the KPA is comprised of a broad range of health care professionals. Board members meet quarterly, volunteering their time after full work schedules to understand and further the cause of perinatal health issues for mothers and their infants.

We seek representation from all parts of the state. This representation assists, among other state leaders, the Director of Maternal Child Health for the state, in keeping perinatal health care problems and solutions in focus. Recent expansion efforts such as the hiring of an Executive Director, ongoing planning for Educational Outreach Projects, and increased visibility through Internet access as signs of our commitment to our purpose and objectives. Efforts at grant proposal writing are a new way we seek to gain capital for our education and outreach efforts.

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Health Professionals Education News

March of Dimes Public Affairs Volunteers visit the Capitol in Frankfort

March of Dimes volunteers provided apple and cherry pies to all 138 Legislators and Representatives shortly before 8:30 a.m. prior to the A & R Committee Meeting on March 21st with the following message attached;

*Any way you slice it.....
Everyone wins when Kentucky takes care of Moms and Babies.*

Please ensure Kentucky's budget supports health coverage & public health programs for pregnant women & infants.

Eleven people wore pink & blue in support of public health program for pregnant women and infants in the 2006 budget. Volunteers were invited to the Senate Galley during the afternoon session.

For more information on the Greater Kentucky Chapter March of Dimes and/or the Public Affairs Committee please contact Katrina Thompson at kadams-thompson@marchofdimes.com or 859-246-0004.

KPA Annual Meeting Summit on Prematurity

The 2006 Kentucky Perinatal Association Annual Meeting: Summit on Prematurity will be held on Monday, June 5th, and Tuesday, June 6th at the Lake Cumberland Lure Lodge Lake Resort in Jamestown, Kentucky. On Sunday, June 4th, all attendees are invited to the KPA Reception Dinner. This two-day conference will host several excellent speakers and will feature various exhibits and activities.

For only \$35.00, attendees receive free CEU'S/CME'S for each conference day, registration, and meals at the KPA Annual Meeting.

This \$35 fee also includes a membership to KPA. Benefits of membership include discounted registration fees at selected statewide conferences, quarterly newsletters, networking with others interested in perinatal health from across the state, opportunity to help improve perinatal health in Kentucky, opportunity to advocate for women and children at the legislative level, and education and information sharing about current Perinatal issues.

KPA has blocked a limited number of rooms at the Lake Cumberland Lake Resort. Rooms are available on a first come, first serve basis. To make your reservations, please call 1-800-325-1709 by May 23rd.

To register for the meeting and join KPA, please e-mail the attached registration form or e-mail Juliana Dick at jwdkpa1@bellsouth.net.

Upcoming Conferences

Issues In Maternal Mortality In Kentucky

Friday, April 28, 2006
Louisville Marriott Downtown
280 West Jefferson St.
Louisville, Kentucky

Registration:

The registration fee is \$25 and includes lunch, continental breakfast, breaks, syllabus and continuing education credits. You may also register by phone by calling 502-852-5329 Monday - Friday from 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. EST.

Managing Early Breastfeeding in the Hospital, Clinic and Community

April 18-19, 2006
Featuring: Molly Pessl RN, IBCLC
Red Mile Conference Center
1200 Red Mile Road
Lexington, KY

Registration

One Day: \$50.00
Both Days: \$75.00
Contact Becky Derifield, at 502-564-3827 ext. 3815 or beckyderifield@kygov.

March of Dimes Grant Writing Workshops

- Purchase Pennyrite (Paducah) May 2nd
- Bluegrass Division (Lexington) May 10th
- Ohio Valley (Louisville) May 10th
- Cardinal (Somerset) May 11th
- Goldenrod (Ashland) May 23rd
- Green River (Owensboro) June 13th
- Barren River (Bowling Green) June 14th

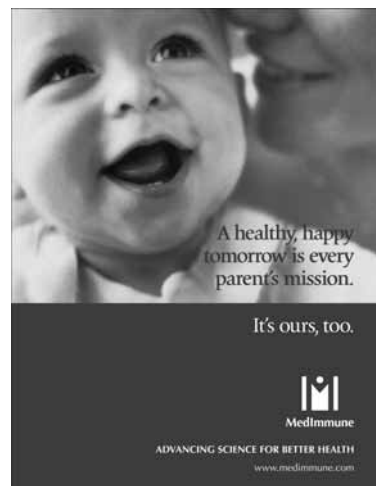
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June 4-6, 2006
Lake Cumberland Resort Lure Lodge
Jamestown, KY

Registration:

\$35.00, contact Juliana Dick at jwdkpa1@bellsouth.net or 859-433-4432



Summit on Prematurity June 4-6

Summit on Prematurity Course Information

All times are Central Time

The Kentucky Perinatal Association 2006 Annual Meeting is designed for physicians, nurse practitioners, registered nurses, multi-disciplinary perinatal professionals, certified nurse midwives, and social workers interested in learning how to deal with current issues related to perinatal care. The emphasis of this conference focuses on issues related to high risk pregnancies and premature deliveries as well as care of the premature baby. This offering is to all individuals interested in any aspect of perinatal care.

Sunday, June 4th

3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Registration

Lure Lodge Lobby

Family Fun Reception

Activity Center Patio

KPA Board Meeting

Pumpkin Creek Lodge

Monday, June 5th

7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.

Breakfast & Registration with Exhibits

KPA Business & Welcome

Allana Oak, D.O.

HPEP Course Exposition: "Are You Full of HPEP?"

Henrietta Bada, M.D.

Ruth Ann Shepherd, M.D.

Report from the AAP Committee on the Fetus and Newborn

David Adamkin, M.D.

Break/Exhibits

10:15 a.m.

Diabetes During Pregnancy

Tom Tabb, M.D.

11:00 a.m.

New Approach to Prenatal Care: Enhancing Maternal & Newborn Outcomes

Wendy Hansen, M.D.

12:00 p.m.

Lunch – Lodge Private Dining Room "The Prematurity Problem: The Kentucky Data"

Keynote speaker – Ruth Ann Shepherd, M.D.

1:00 p.m.

Evaluation and Adjournment
Enjoy the Lake

Tuesday, June 6th

7:00 a.m. – 7:45 a.m.

Breakfast & Registration with Exhibits

KPA Business Meeting & Welcome

Allana Oak, D.O.

7:45 a.m.

The Infant Born at 36 Weeks is Still Pre-term

Eric Reynolds, M.D.

9:00 a.m.

"What Happens after the Preterm Infant Goes Home?"

Henrietta Bada, M.D.

9:45 a.m.

Break/Exhibits
Metabolic Screening: "When You Care Enough to Send the Very Best"

John Morrison, M.D.

10:15 a.m.

The Hands Program: Impact on Preterm Birth in Kentucky

Joyce Robl

11:00 a.m.

Evaluations & Adjournment

11:45 a.m.

Meeting/Membership Registration Form

Fee: \$35.00 Member/Meeting \$300 Exhibit

Last Name: _____ First: _____ Middle Initial: _____

Profession (circle one): MD NP RN PA SW CNM Other

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ Fax Number: _____

Email address: _____

Institutional Affiliation: _____

Form of Payment (check one): Check is enclosed _____ Invoice _____

Please make your check payable to: Kentucky Perinatal Association and mail registration to:

Juliana Dick - Executive Director

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*Or register online at
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