



NURSES GROUP PAEDIATRIC COMMITTEE

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INTRODUCTION & OBJECTIVES

The **Paediatric Nurses Committee** was established in 2008 within the Nurses Group of the EBMT. The committee is dedicated to improving the care of paediatric and adolescent haematology and stem cell transplantation patients. The main objectives are to promote, develop and share knowledge and experience between the paediatric nurses throughout Europe, developing countries and within the EBMT.

The main activities are:

- Prepare and conduct the paediatric session at the EBMT Annual Meeting.
- Collaborate closely with the Paediatric Diseases Working Party on the annual Paediatric Meeting and Training Course for Paediatricians and Paediatric Nurses on HSCT.
- Encourage networking among European nurses.

Chair: Hilda Mekelenkamp

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RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

The Paediatric Nurses Committee is working on a research project entitled: **Development of expert-based recommendations on prevention and management of conditioning-related skin toxicity in paediatric HSCT patients, a Delphi study.**

Our aim is to start in 2023 with this study in collaboration with our colleague Mihaela Hartmann from Vienna, the EBMT Nurses Research Committee, Paediatric Diseases Working Party and other collaborative partners.

EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES

Paediatric session annual meeting 2022 – virtual

1. Communication challenges in paediatric HSCT nursing

- Words as medicine – Renee Gregson (The Netherlands)
- Communication over language barriers – examples from paediatric oncology – Pernilla Pergert (Sweden)
- Debate – Hilda Mekelenkamp, Eugenia Trigoso, Marjola Gjergji

2. Challenges in paediatric HSCT nursing

- The experiences of pain in children during Haematopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation – Karin Plummer (Australia)
- Virtual reality on CVC management – Elisa Piccinelli (Italy)
- Paediatric nurses' perception of factors affecting negotiation of care in a paediatric stem cell transplant unit – Simona Calza (Italy)

EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES

Paediatric Nurses session during the PWDP 2022 in Regensburg.

The last Paediatric Diseases Working Party Educational Meeting focused on Haemoglobinopathies. The nursing program was divided in 5 sessions:

- 1) *Pre transplant care*: many topics have been discussed in this session from the supportive care in Thalassemia and Sickle Cell disease to pain management and donor choice.
- 2) *Research session*: how to write or present a research project and evidence-based nursing have been discussed in this session
- 3) *Clinical transplant care*: this session was focused on gene therapy and case presentations in Thalassemia including a short video about family perspectives.
- 4) *Post transplant care*: the nurse's role in late effects and transition to adult care were the main topics. The session ended with a nice and interactive debate on communication challenges in paediatric nursing.
- 5) *Nursing challenges*: this last session was dedicated at the quality management and differences in nurse's training in Europe and ended up with an interesting round table session on ethical issues.

For a more detailed report, scan the QR code



Detailed report



Join the Paediatric Nurses Committee Session at the EBMT Annual Meeting 2023 on Tuesday, April 25, 14:30 - 16:00

- NG16-1 Enteral and parenteral nutrition in paediatric HSCT – principles and practice
 - NG16-2 Nutrition post-SCT and the 'Graft Diet'
 - NG16-3 Perceptions of nutrition support from professionals, patients and parents (video & discussion)
- ➔ NG09 Oral Session - Paediatrics Abstract Award Finalists (April 24, 14:30 - 16:00)

CONTACT

Do you want to be listed on our Paediatric nurses' contact list? Scan the QR-code and fill in the questionnaire. It is meant to share information between paediatric HSCT nurses. For further information, ideas, or questions, do not hesitate to contact the Paediatric Nurses Committee members at our email-address: penuco3@gmail.com



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