



AANS/CNS Section on Pediatric Neurological Surgery- APP Committee



NEW! Clinical Inquiry:

The APP education has received several inquiries related to clinical practice. Can you help? The education committee would like to serve as a vector of clinical inquiry and direct discussion!

- Do you have a clinical policy on CSF replacement? Please email Sam to discuss- Samantha.carter@cchmc.org
- Do you have pediatric institutional post op glycemic goals? Please email Lisa to discuss- mclennan@neurosurgery.wisc.edu
- Do you have a policy regarding lab values (Hgb/Hct, PLT) in trauma patients? Please email Lisa to discuss- mclennan@neurosurgery.wisc.edu

APP Journal Club:

APP Journal Club Meetings are hosted by the Education Subcommittee. These are held over Zoom. Articles and invites will be sent in advance.

Future Journal Clubs:

- Wednesday, 7/17/2024, 5:00 pm, CST
- Tuesday, 10/8/2024, 5:00 pm, CST

Important Announcements



2024 Joint Pediatric Section Annual Meeting
Sheraton New York Times Square Hotel

NYC



APP Session - Thursday, December 12, 2024

- All day session
- Breakfast & Lunch will be provided.

At our February Journal Club, we had a lively discussion on intraventricular hemorrhages. One of the attendees shared that at her institution, the surgeons place ventriculo-gallbladder shunts. Following the meeting, she shared several articles. Please review, if interested:

- Morosanu, C. O. (2021). Evaluation of the ventriculocholecystic shunt – an overview of present practice in adult and pediatric hydrocephalus. *Neurosurgical Review*, 44, 2533 – 2543. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10143-021-01472-x>
- Reisner, A., Smith, A. D., Wrubel, D. M., Buster, B. E., Sawvel, M. S., Blackwell, L. S., Laxpati, N. G., Brahma, B., & Chern, J. J. (2021). Utility of ventriculogallbladder shunts in complex cases of hydrocephalus related to extreme prematurity. *Journal of Neurosurgery: Pediatrics*, 27), 511-517. <https://DOI: 10.3171/2020.9.PEDS20522>
- Aldana, P. R., James, H. E., & Postlethwait, R. A. (2008) Ventriculogallbladder shunts in pediatric patients. *Journal of Neurosurgery: Pediatrics*, 284-287

APP Membership – Pediatric Section:

Have you considered joining the Peds Section?

There are numerous benefits and opportunities to consider!

Total Annual Cost - \$220.00

<https://www.aans.org/Membership/Join-the-AANS/RNs-NPs-and-PAs>



Pediatric Section Journal Clubs:

**** Only available to APP members of the Pediatric Section. Zoom meeting.**

Future Dates/Topics:

- May 2024 – Hydrocephalus/Neonatal IVH

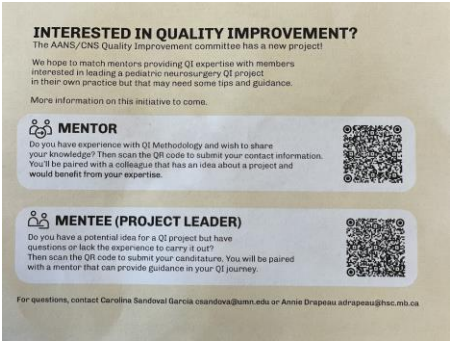
Previous lectures are available on YouTube-

https://youtube.com/channel/UC_4CU56kgRhBBQEDAbcFgFg

- Transition of Care – Health Care Provider Subcommittee – If interested in being a part of this subcommittee, please reach out to haley.vance@vumc.org.

Current APP Subcommittee
Members:
Haley Vance
Lisa McLennan
Mandy Breedt
Samantha Himsworth
Christine Gumma
Graciela Gallo
Trish Leonard
Natasha Raman
Jennifer Amon

- **Quality Improvement – Dr. Carolina Sandoval/Dr. Annie Drapeau**
 - Are you interested in participating in a Quality Improvement project? Looking for a Mentor? If you would like more information on how to get involved with QI – please email csandova@umn.edu or adrageau@hsc.mb.ca



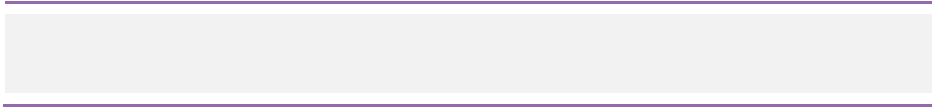
Additional Education Opportunities:

AANS

- AANS patient education resources: <https://www.aans.org/en/Patients/Neurosurgical-Conditions-and-Treatments>
- Did you know there is a podcast? Check out "Insights in Pediatric Neurosurgery" on your favorite platform.

UW Health Pediatric Critical Care Meeting

- 5/22/24- Wisconsin Institute for Discovery in Madison WI [2024 Pediatric Critical Care Regional Meeting | UW–Madison ICEP \(wisc.edu\)](#)



American Association of Neuroscience Nurses

- Advanced Stroke Care Conference- August 1-3, 2024

American Cleff Palate Craniofacial Association-

- Online library of learning- <https://learning.acpacares.org/store/provider/provider09.php>
- Annual Meeting 2025- Palm Springs- May 6-10, 2025

Epilepsy Foundation-

- Camp Candlelight 2024- 6-day camp opportunity for youth with epilepsy 6/16-6/21/24
- In person and Online support groups, webinars and events are listed here: <https://www.epilepsy.com/events>
- A new Spanish Language portal has been created with videos on seizure first aid and information about epilepsy. Aprende.epilepsy.com

International Society for Pediatric Neurosurgery

Meeting dates:

- October 13-17, 2024, in Toronto, Canada
- October 26-30, 2025, in Lyon, France
- 2026 dates not confirmed but in Cairo, Egypt

Neuro Critical Care Society

- Brain Death Toolkit that may be accessed for free: [Brain Death Toolkit | NCS \(neurocriticalcare.org\)](https://neurocriticalcare.org/brain-death-toolkit)

Spina Bifida Association

- 2024 Spina Bifida Clinical Care Meeting- May 31-June 1, 2024 – Sacramento, CA <https://www.eventcreate.com/e/2024ccm>

American Syringomyelia & Chiari Alliance Project

- Annual Conference- Durham North Carolina- July 16-18, 2024, <https://asap.org/conferences/2024-conference/>

ILAE

- article and podcast on “Health-related quality of life after pediatric epilepsy surgery: Dr. Mary Lou Smith.” To learn more: [Health-related quality of life after pediatric epilepsy surgery: Dr. Mary Lou Smith // International League Against Epilepsy \(ilae.org\)](https://www.ilae.org/health-related-quality-of-life-after-pediatric-epilepsy-surgery-dr-mary-lou-smith)

Hydrocephalus Association

- 18th National Conference on Hydrocephalus will take place July 25-27, 2024: [HA CONNECT National Conference on Hydrocephalus \(hydrocephalusconference.org\)](https://www.hydrocephalusconference.org)

Please click the Link to Sign up Genius to add your suggestion for journal club, research inquiry, or a collaboration inquiry:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080F45A8AA2FA2F58-suggestions>