



LIVE HYBRID ACTIVITY

# 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Neonatal Advanced Practice Conference

June 18, 2026

8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

In-person conference with a virtual attendance option

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Children's Hospital Colorado, Neonatal Nurse Practitioner Department  
Front Range Association of Neonatal Nurses

## Learner Packet



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## Overview, Target Audience, and Learner Outcome

This conference presents topics of interest to neonatal care providers, including NNPs, nurses, physicians, as well as other health care professionals working in the neonatal ICU. Speakers cover new and emerging neonatal topics, clinical presentations, as well as reviews of available evidence for current practice strategies related to the anticipation, recognition, assessment, stabilization, and acute and long-term care of the neonate. Discussion and question sessions will follow each presentation. By the end of this conference, participants will demonstrate increased knowledge of current evidence-based, innovative, and advanced practice strategies in neonatal care, including emerging technologies, evolving clinical guidelines, and best practices for managing complex neonatal conditions. Learners will report how this updated knowledge can inform and enhance their clinical reasoning and future practice decisions in the care of critically ill infants.

## Agenda

### THURSDAY, JUNE 18, 2026

- 7:30 a.m. Check-in
- 7:50 Welcome and Opening Remarks
- 8:00 **The Ever-changing World for Neonatal Advanced Practice Providers**  
Carol Wallman, DNP, APRN, NNP-BC
- 9:00 **From Crisis to Chart: Medical Documentation of a Newborn with Hypoxic-Ischemic Encephalopathy**  
Rachel Wright, MD, FAAP
- 10:00 Break (In-person: visit posters and exhibitors)
- 10:30 **Wellbeing in Healthcare: How to Get It and Keep It!**  
Heather De Keyser, MD, MSCS
- 11:30 **Neonates and Nephrons**  
Weiwen Vivian Shih, MD
- 12:30 p.m. Lunch (In-person: visit posters and exhibitors)
- 1:30 **A Focus on POCUS in the NICU**  
Aly Arenstein, DNP, APRN, NNP-BC
- 2:30 Break

- 2:45      **Small Babies, Big Stewardship: Optimizing Antibiotic Choices in the NICU**  
Emma L. Ross, PharmD, and Michael J. Bozzella, DO, MS
- 3:45      Wrap up and Evaluation
- 4:00      Adjourn

\*Children’s Hospital Colorado reserves the right to modify the agenda or cancel this conference in the event of an unforeseen circumstance.

## Continuing Education Credit

**Registration, attendance,** and completion of the online **evaluation** are required for successful completion. Claim only the hours you attend. A certificate of attendance will be available for printing upon completion of the online evaluation.

**Nursing:** Children’s Hospital Colorado is approved with distinction as a provider of nursing continuing professional development by Colorado Nurses Association, an accredited approver by the American Nurses Credentialing Center’s Commission on Accreditation. This program for 6.25 contact hours is provided by Children’s Hospital Colorado.

**General Attendance:** A general certificate of attendance will be available for all other care providers.

## Virtual Learners

### ZOOM LINK

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### MARK YOUR ATTENDANCE

Learners are required to mark your attendance for this NCPD activity to verify participation in the program.

Sign-in opens 30-minutes prior to the event.

There are two sign-in options:

1. Text the **attendance code** to 720-790-4423 or
2. Enter the **attendance code** at [ce.childrenscolorado.org/code](https://ce.childrenscolorado.org/code)

Attendance Code: **16NAP**

## EVALUATION

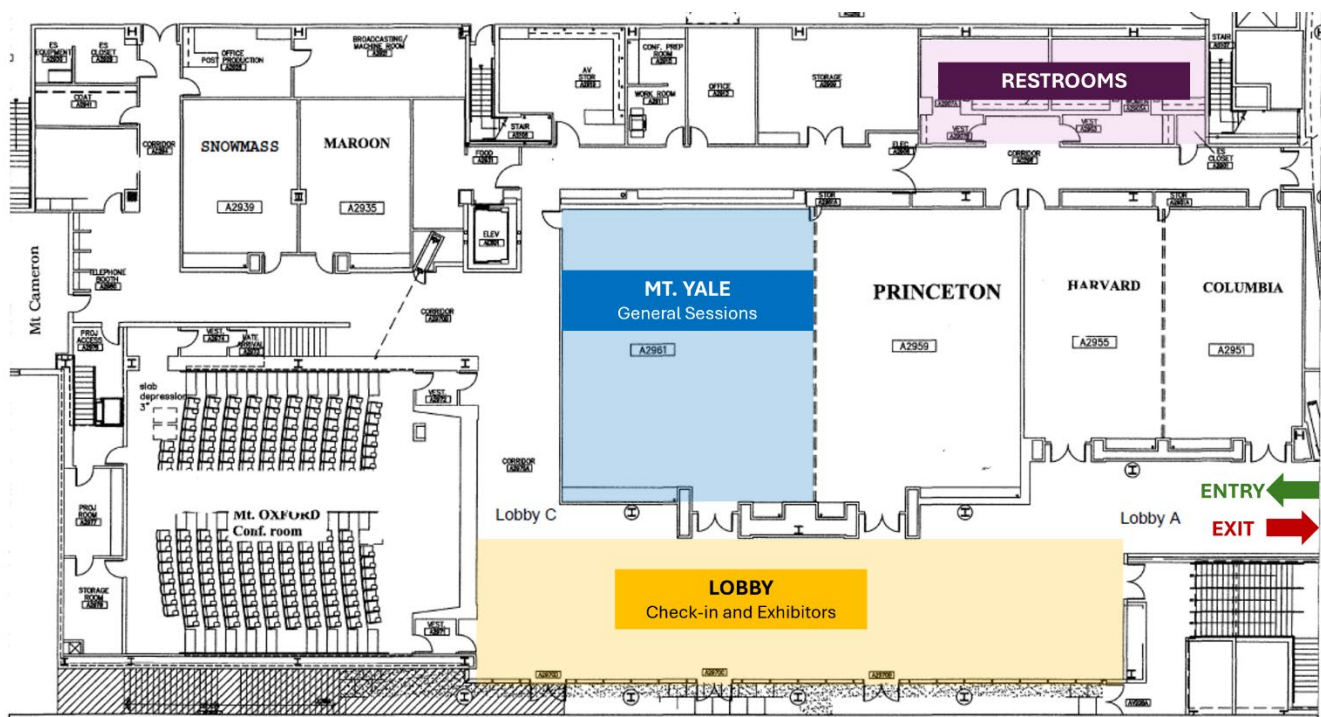
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## In-person Learners

### LOCATION

Children's Hospital Colorado – Medical Conference and Education Center  
Mt. Yale Conference Room  
13123 East 16th Avenue, Aurora, CO 80045



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## Faculty

### **Aly Arenstein, DNP, APRN, NNP-BC**

Section of Neonatology  
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School of Medicine  
APP Lead, Neonatal POCUS Program  
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### **Michael J. Bozzella, DO, MS**

Assistant Professor of Pediatrics,  
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School of Medicine  
Associate Medical Director,  
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### **Heather De Keyser, MD, MSCS**

Associate Professor of Pediatrics  
University of Colorado  
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Pediatric Pulmonologist  
Breathing Institute  
Children's Hospital Colorado

### **Emma L. Ross, PharmD**

Clinical Pharmacy Specialist, NICU  
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### **Carol Wallman, DNP, APRN, NNP-BC**

Associate Professor Loretto Heights  
School of Nursing  
Coordinator of Neonatal Nurse  
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### **Rachel Wright, MD, FAAP**

Assistant Clinical Professor,  
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### **Weiwen Vivian Shih, MD**

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