



LIVE HYBRID ACTIVITY

Christopher Ward Pediatric Neuroscience Conference 2026

Thursday, August 6, 2026

Children's Hospital Colorado | Anschutz Medical Campus | Medical Conference and Education Center - Mt. Yale
13123 East 16th Avenue | Aurora, CO 80045 – Virtual learners will receive a virtual link prior to the event.

This conference is a live in-person activity with a virtual option and designed for advanced practice professionals, nurses and other interested staff that care for children with conditions affecting the brain, spine, and peripheral nervous system.

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Overview and Target Audience

This conference is specifically for providers and other interested staff that care for children with conditions affecting the brain, spine and peripheral nervous system. It will provide clinical updates and address current topics relevant to the nursing care of this growing patient population.

The target audience for this activity includes Nurse Practitioners and other APRN's, Physician Assistants, Physicians, Registered Nurses, EEG Technicians and other clinical staff involved with neuroscience patient care.

Learner Outcome

Learners will report increased knowledge regarding care of children with neurological conditions.

Learners will report at least one practice change they plan to make as a result of this activity.

Agenda

Thursday, August 6, 2026

7:30 a.m.	Check-in	2:00	When Kids Change Overnight: A Clinician's Guide to PANS/PANDAS Anastacia Wall, PA-C
7:50	Welcome and Opening Remarks		
8:00	Understanding, Participation, Autonomy: Why visual supports matter in healthcare for neurodivergent patients. Allison Meyer, PhD Jennifer Harris, MSE	3:00	Break
		3:15	Time Is Brain: Recognition and Acute Management of Pediatric Stroke Medha Parulekar, MD
		4:15	Wrap-up and Evaluation
9:00	Don't Get Thrown Off Balance: Causes and Treatments for Pediatric Dizziness Chris Latimer, MD	4:30	Adjourn
10:00	Break		
10:15	Perinatal Hypoxic Ischemic Encephalopathy Andra Dingman, MD Danielle Guez Barber, MD, PhD		
11:15	Traumatic Brain Injury and Abusive Head Trauma - Recognizing neurologic symptoms in the first week and after the dust has settled Ricka Messer, MD, PhD		
12:15 p.m.	Lunch		
1:00	Precision Therapeutics for Neurologic Conditions Scott Demarest, MD, MSCS		

Virtual Learners

ZOOM LINK: [Click here](#)

Please change your on-screen name to your first and last name. This will help mark your attendance.

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.childrengcolorado.org/code

Attendance Code: **CWARD26**

EVALUATION

To obtain your NCPD certificate, the on-line evaluation must be completed by midnight, Thursday, August 20, 2026.

After completing the evaluation, you will be prompted to claim your NCPD credits. Any questions or concerns with access should be directed to ce@childrengcolorado.org.

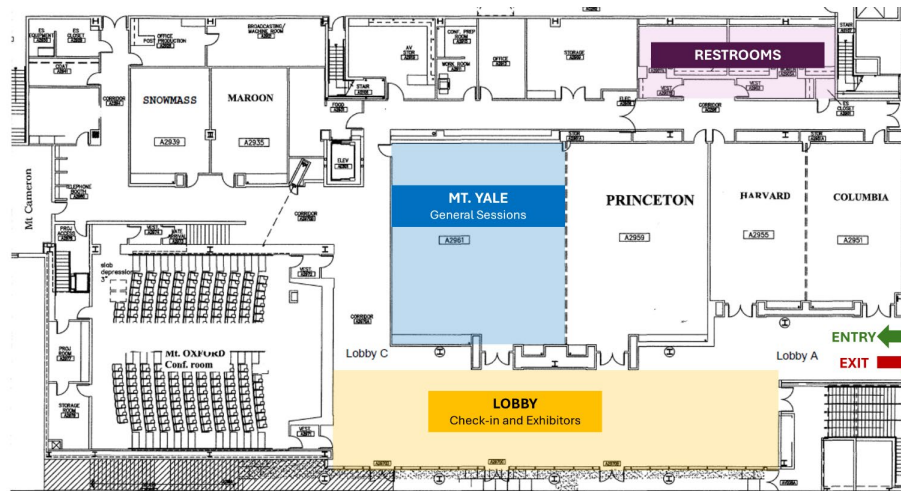
In-person Learners

LOCATION

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Please visit the check-in tables to mark your attendance.

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Continuing Education Credit

Registration, attendance, and completion of the online **evaluation** are required for successful completion. Claim only the hours you attend.

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 education activity for 7.25 nursing contact hours is provided by Children's Hospital Colorado.

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

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- Dr. Scott Demarest faculty for this educational event, is a consultant for: SRC (Capsida), Lundbeck, Mahzi Therapeutics, Neurocrine Biosciences, Praxis Medicines.
- Dr. Ricka Messer faculty for this education event, is a research sponsor for Ultragenyx.

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