

SUPPLEMENT

Outcomes of Children Born Extremely Preterm

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Key Takeaways

- Survival rates of extremely preterm infants have increased over the last 2 decades
- Neurodevelopmental impairment is a major morbidity for extremely preterm infants
- Rates of major neurosensory disability have not improved; these rates are also not increasing
- Significance of long-term functional and quality-of-life outcomes
- Outcomes important to families and better preparing families
- Academic performance is challenging for children born extremely preterm
- Variation or instability is prevalent across categories between the 18–22 month assessment and the 6–7 year assessment
- Sociodemographic factors and other disparities found to be associated with nonreferral and getting to the first follow-up visit
- Importance of earlier intervention in the NICU, including family-integrated care intervention

Supplemental Questions

Successful completion of this activity is achieved by individually reflecting on, or discussing as a group, the following questions and their implications.

1. How do you measure neurodevelopmental outcomes in very preterm infants?

See page 4 of the transcript.

2. How do you determine cognitive assessment on extremely preterm infants?

See page 5 of the transcript.

3. How do you implement early interventions with motor functional challenges?

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4. How do you interpret long-term neurodevelopmental impairment (NDI) outcome issues from available study data?

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- 5. How have long-term NDI studies helped you in your practice when speaking with parents and caregivers?
- 6. What are some challenges in your practice when preparing parents and caregivers for potential rehospitalization, as well as medical and special services utilization?

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7. How do you determine the most important outcomes for the family with children who were born extremely preterm?

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- 8. What interventions have you implemented to meet the needs of your preterm infant patients?
- 9. What can you do better in the NICU with early intervention to address NDI?

See page 13 of the transcript.

10. How do you think about earlier interventions as a continuum from the NICU, through transition-tohome, and longer follow-up?

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11. What do you do in your clinical practice to improve the pathway for referrals and first visits?

See page 12–13 of the transcript.

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