

Paediatric Respiratory

Workshop

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Presenter

Paul Ritson graduated from Royal Liverpool Hospital College School of Physiotherapy in 1988. He has worked at the Royal Liverpool Children's NHS Trust (Alder Hey) since 1990, specialising in the respiratory speciality of Paediatric Intensive Care since 1993 having completed the Brompton Hospital Validated Respiratory Course. Since 2000, Paul has worked as a Clinical Specialist Physiotherapist on the Paediatric Intensive Care Unit at Alder Hey. This extensive unit caters for all specialities including cardiac surgery and his role also includes teaching to all of all grades of staff, from Doctors to Health Care Assistants. He is also the Resuscitation Trainer for the Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech Therapy and Orthotic Depts. For the last 10 years Paul has co-organised and lectured on *Paediatric Respiratory Care* on the Mersey Region On Call Course for newly qualified Physiotherapists. He has also delivered the Paediatric respiratory module at the University of Liverpool for the past 7 years and at the University of Salford in Manchester for the last 5 years. In October 2003, he was co-organiser of the APCP Introduction to Paediatrics course – an annual course lasting 1 week, validated by the APCP. He has been an invited speaker at national conferences, including ACPRC Conference, Advanced ITU courses at University College and Great Ormond Street Hospital, London. At present, he is part of a group of Physiotherapists starting a Paediatric Intensive Care Physiotherapist Interest Group, which will be affiliated to the APCP. In March 2004, an 'On Call Physiotherapist Survival Guide' was published, to which Paul wrote one chapter and co authored a second.

Course Description

This 1 day course focuses specifically on Paediatric Respiratory therapy. The course comprises a mix of theory and practical workshops. The delegate will gain insight into the assessment, management and problem solving in this challenging client group. Practical skills will also be taught in the workshops, including CXR interpretation in respiratory patients.

Therapists carrying out on call duties involving children will find this course particularly useful. Throughout, this course will be led in an open style, encouraging delegate participation and exchange of ideas and information.

Course outline

- Anatomy, physiology and the differences between children and adults
- Methodological approach to respiratory assessment
- Problem solving and clinical reasoning for respiratory patients
- Positioning for ventilation and perfusion in the paediatric age group
- Interpretation of Paediatric CXR'S
- CXR workshop
- Humidification (workshop)
- Suction and airway management (workshop)
- Distraction and trickery in paediatrics (workshop)
- Problem solving skills using the case study approach (workshop)

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