



SESSION 269

Pediatric Sedation and Analgesia

For many providers, looking after children can be a stressful experience, especially for those working in centres with less pediatric-specific resources and experience. The assessment and management of children presenting with acute illness and injury can be additionally challenging due to pain and distress. Although most physicians are comfortable and experienced in providing analgesia and sedation, developmental and physiologic differences in children provide an additional challenge. The Pediatric Sedation and Analgesia Workshop is a case-based opportunity to discuss various options for sedation and analgesia in children presenting with acute illness and injury. Techniques, equipment, medications, safety and monitoring will be reviewed. The cases will also touch on common pediatric problems, with the provision of tips and suggestions for management. Evidence associated with the cases and medications will be briefly reviewed. This is intended to be an interactive session with opportunity for questions and discussion.

1. Review common pediatric acute care scenarios where sedation and analgesia are appropriate.
2. Discuss specific medication options, dosing and administration.
3. Review appropriate safety and monitoring.