



SOUTHEASTERN ASSOCIATION OF NEONATOLOGISTS

39th ANNUAL CONFERENCE
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Register by April 13, 2026

Please join us for
An Educational Weekend In

PARADISE

May 21-24, 2026 JW Marriott Marco Island Beach Resort

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION PROCESS

Register online by **April 17, 2026**. You will also be able to pay your SAN dues when you register for the conference online.

PLEASE NOTE: CONFERENCE AND DINNER REGISTRATIONS ABSOLUTELY CLOSE AT MIDNIGHT, APRIL 22, 2026. WALK-IN REGISTRATIONS AND/OR DINNER ADD-ONS CAN NO LONGER BE ACCOMMODATED AFTER THAT DATE.

SAN membership is available to Neonatologists practicing in Virginia, Kentucky, North Carolina, Tennessee, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Florida or Puerto Rico. If you do not reside or work in one of the states above, please register for the conference as a non-member of SAN.

SAN Membership and Conferences are for Neonatologists (physicians) only. Guests and family are welcome to enjoy the resort and the rest of the Marco Island area.

Step 1: Register at www.southeastneo.org or scan the QR code to be taken to the registration website.



Step 2: Book your hotel room after registering for the conference. Once your online registration is complete, you will be provided a special group hotel reservation link on your registration confirmation page for the JW Marriott Marco Island Beach Resort.

Step 3: Arrange your transportation...air and ground. You will need to arrange your own ground transportation to the hotel in Marco Island. Southwest Florida International Airport (RSW) in Fort Myers is the closest major airport. The drive from Miami (MIA) is about 2 hours. Tampa (TPA) and Sarasota (SRQ) are less than 3 hours away by car. Ground transportation can be arranged at the airports.

For additional questions regarding the conference registration, housing and dinner events, you can also contact Michelle Longman via e-mail at southeastneo@bellsouth.net.

SAN POSTER SESSION

SAN encourages conference attendees to participate in the Poster Session. Presenters are required to register for and attend the conference. Neonatal Fellows who are presenting a poster can apply for the SAN Scholarship Award.

Posters will be available for viewing throughout the conference with authors in attendance during the breaks on Friday and Saturday. Poster content may cover clinical or scientific research, quality improvement, or case studies of interest.

Abstracts are limited to 2600 characters (including spaces) and should include: Title, Author(s), Institution(s)/Affiliation(s), Background, Objectives, Methods, Results and Conclusion. Send abstracts to Jenelle Ferry, MD at jenferry@gmail.com. Include the primary author's name, mailing address, telephone number and e-mail address. For questions, contact Dr. Ferry.

The deadline for abstract submission is **March 24, 2026**. Presenters will be notified of acceptance by **April 3, 2026**.

SAN FAMILIES RECEPTION

Calling all families! Join us on Friday 1-2pm at the JW Marriott's Chickee Huts on the Beach for cool refreshments and networking with other SAN families.

CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION CREDITS

The American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians. The AAP designates this live activity for a maximum of 16.0 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity. These credits can be applied toward the AAP CME/CPD Award available to Fellows and Candidate Members of the American Academy of Pediatrics. For questions regarding CME credits at SAN, contact Dr. Eric Reynolds at Eric.W.Reynolds@uth.tmc.edu.

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SPECIAL NEEDS STATEMENT

The Southeastern Association of Neonatologists is committed to making this conference accessible to all individuals. If you have a disability which requires accommodation, send a brief description of any auxiliary aids or services (identified in the Americans with Disabilities Act) that might be needed to southeastneo@bellsouth.net by May 1, 2026. Advanced notification of any special needs helps us to better plan for and respond to your needs.

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR FELLOWS

Neonatal Fellows presenting posters at the SAN conference can apply for a \$1,000 scholarship through the SAN Scholarship Award. Priority is given to Fellows in the Southeast Region (Districts 4, 6, 10) or those seeking positions in the Southeast. Previous Scholarship Award recipients are not eligible for consideration.

Award winners are required to attend the conference sessions, be present at their posters during the required times on Friday and Saturday and attend the reception on Thursday and Lobster Banquet on Saturday. The conference registration fee is waived for Scholarship Award winners.

To apply for a scholarship, Fellows must submit a Poster Session Abstract and a current CV to Jenelle Ferry, MD at jenferry@gmail.com.

The deadline for scholarship submissions is **March 24, 2026**. Scholarship recipients will be notified by **April 3, 2026**.

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CONFERENCE COURSE OBJECTIVES

Thursday

- Summarize mechanisms of iron accretion in term and preterm neonates.
- Review iron dosing in clinical studies of ESA-treated and non-treated neonates.
- Discuss measures of iron sufficiency and guidelines for iron supplementation in neonates.
- Review estimates of survival and active treatment for periviable infants at 22-25 weeks gestation.
- Describe long-term neurodevelopmental outcomes among surviving periviable infants.
- Identify the association between intermittent hypoxia and multiple morbidities.
- Determine if the relationships between intermittent hypoxia and various morbidities are causal or due to random chance.

Friday

- Understand the importance of Transitional Neonatal Hypoglycemia or Hyperinsulinemia.
- Discuss controversies about screening, diagnoses and management of low blood glucose in infants.
- Examine neurodevelopmental outcomes relating to blood glucose levels in studies comparing different thresholds of glucose for treatment and longer-term follow-up from the CHYLD studies.
- Learn about the benefits and risks of early and sustained intravenous nutrition.
- Identify the causes and effects of early and prolonged hyperglycemia, an often-ignored complication of IV nutrition.
- Describe the pathologies associated with BPD.
- Diagnose pulmonary hypertension seen in BPD.
- Describe the various current methods for surfactant administration and their indication.
- Compare the outcomes of infants treated with non-invasive approaches of surfactant administration.

Saturday

- Recognize the risk of acquired cytomegalovirus infection from breastmilk and blood transfusions.
- Determine potential consequences of postnatal CMV infection in preterm infants.
- Discuss nutritional needs for growth of preterm infants for optimal function and body composition.
- Examine short-term outcomes of different nutrient supplies and anabolic factors (insulin and IGF-1).
- Recognize the strong evidence for the benefits of caffeine.
- Be aware of the dosing and timing challenges related to caffeine use in preterm neonates.
- Summarize hematologic outcomes in neonatal ESA studies.
- Provide ESA guidelines to decrease transfusions in neonates.
- Start your own transfusion stewardship program.

Sunday

- Describe the pathophysiology of hyperoxia in premature infants.
- Compare the effects of hypoxia and intermittent hypoxia in the premature infant.
- Recognize the importance of a historical perspective on neonatology.
- Be aware of the interplay between personal well-being and professional success.
- Learn about the consequences of underfeeding preterm infants.
- Learn about the consequences of overfeeding preterm infants.
- Describe mechanisms relating intrauterine growth restriction to lung growth and maturation.
- Describe postnatal nutritional interventions that may result in lower pulmonary morbidity.

| Day | Time | Topic | Speaker(s) |
|--------------------|-------------------------|--|--------------------|
| Thursday May 21 | 1:00 PM | Daily Sign-In | |
| | 2:30 PM | Iron Supplementation in the NICU | Robin Ohls |
| | 3:20 PM | Survival and Outcomes of Periviable Infants | Ravi Patel |
| | 4:10 PM | 29 th Jerry Elliott Memorial Lecture: Should We Worry About Intermittent Hypoxemia? | Richard Martin |
| | 5:00 PM | Panel Discussion | Thursday Speakers |
| | 5:30 PM | Evaluations and Adjourn | |
| Friday May 22 | 6:00 PM | Welcome Reception (Hosted Mead Johnson Nutrition) | Dinner on Your Own |
| | 7:00 AM | Daily Sign-In | |
| | 7:30 AM | What is a Normal Blood Glucose in a Newborn? | David Adamkin |
| | 8:20 AM | IV Nutrition and Hyperglycemia | Bill Hay |
| | 9:10 AM | Break | |
| | 9:30 AM | The Many Faces of BPD | Phyllis Dennery |
| | 10:20 AM | The Evolution of Surfactant Use in Neonates: Where are We Going? | Fernando Moya |
| | 11:10 AM | Panel Discussion | Friday Speakers |
| | 12:00 PM | Evaluations and Adjourn | |
| | 1:00 PM | SAN Families Reception (Chickee Hut on the Beach) | Dinner on Your Own |
| Saturday May 23 | 7:00 AM | Daily Sign-In | |
| | 7:30 AM | *Should We Be Worried About Postnatal CMV Infection? | Ravi Patel |
| | 8:20 AM | What Does it Take to Grow an Infant? | Bill Hay |
| | 9:10 AM | Break | |
| | 9:30 AM | SAN Business Meeting | |
| | 9:50 AM | What to do About Caffeine Therapy | Richard Martin |
| | 10:40 AM | Red Cell Growth Factors in the NICU | Robin Ohls |
| | 11:30 AM | Panel Discussion | Saturday Speakers |
| | 12:30 PM | Evaluations and Adjourn | |
| | Afternoon Free | | |
| Sunday May 24 | 5:30 PM | Reception and Lobster Banquet | |
| | 7:00 AM | Daily Sign-In | |
| | 7:30 AM | ROP: Hyperoxia? Hypoxia? Intermittent Hypoxia? | Phyllis Dennery |
| | 8:20 AM | Lessons Learned and Still Learning After 50 Years | Richard Martin |
| | 9:10 AM | Break | |
| | 9:30 AM | Long-Term Outcomes of Feeding Preterm Infants | Bill Hay |
| | 10:20 AM | How Perinatal and Neonatal Nutrition Can Help the Developing Lung | Fernando Moya |
| | 11:10 AM | Panel Discussion | Sunday Speakers |
| 12:00 PM | Evaluations and Adjourn | | |

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