

# **PNNFICON-2025 REPORT**



# PNNFICON 2025

Date- 30<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup> October and 1<sup>st</sup> November 2025

The theme of the conference was advancing paediatric and neonatal care: innovations, challenges and future directions

The 3<sup>rd</sup> National Annual Conference of the Pediatric and Neonatal Nurses Forum, India, was organized by the College of Nursing, GMCH 32, Chandigarh

The 3<sup>rd</sup> National Conference of the Pediatric and Neonatal Nurses Forum of India (PNNFI) was successfully held in collaboration with the College of Nursing, Government Medical College and Hospital, Chandigarh, from 30<sup>th</sup> October to 1<sup>st</sup> November 2025. The three-day scientific event revolved around the theme “Advancing Pediatric and Neonatal Care: Innovations, Challenge sand Future Directions.” The conference brought together eminent pediatricians, neonatologists, nursing experts, faculty, and Nursing students from across the country to share evidence-based practices, innovations, and experiences in child and newborn health care.

The three-day conference began with four **pre-conference workshops** on day 1 on 30<sup>th</sup> October 2025. The workshops focused on and provided hands-on experience in developmental supportive care and KMC, the Neonatal resuscitation program, optimizing the golden hour, Drug dosage and fluid calculations in paediatrics, and pediatric and neonatal pain assessment and management strategies for better outcomes. The workshops received enthusiastic participation and created an excellent foundation for the main conference. delegates/ participants- approximately 180 delegates participated in 4 PCWS

**Conference:** The main conference was held over the next two days, from 31<sup>st</sup> October to 1<sup>st</sup> November 2025. Registration began at 8.30 am. Each delegate was presented with the kit and the related information in the program sheet. A total number of approximately 200 delegates participated in this conference, the delegates from Andhra Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Rajasthan, Chhattisgarh, Odisha, Punjab, Delhi, Haryana, Chandigarh, etc,

**The first plenary session**, ‘Advancements & innovations in preventive paediatrics, was chaired by Prof HCL Rawat, president of PNNFI and Prof Pity Koul, National Advisor of PNNFI. The speakers of the first plenary session were Dr Dinesh K Varma, PGIMER, Chandigarh, Dr Shivani, WHO Coordinator, Chandigarh, Dr Parmees Kaur, GMCH32, Chandigarh and Prof Dr Rakesh Kumar Gorea

**The second plenary session**, ‘Infant and young child feeding (IYCF) was chaired by Prof Dr Deepak Chawla, GMCH32, Chandigarh, and Prof Jyoti Sarin, MMDU, Mullana Ambala, and speakers of the session were Dr Mukta Kumar, Civil Hospital, Punchkula, Dr Shashi Mawar, CON, AIIMS New Delhi and Dr Rimple Sharma, CON, AIIMS, Jammu

**The inaugural session** of conference was inaugurated at 12.30 pm by chief guest of the ceremony, Prof GP Thami, Director Principal, GMCH 32, Chandigarh, which is followed by traditional lamp lighting ceremony to mark the auspicious beginning of the conference. A formal welcome was done by Chairperson Dr Himani, principal CON, GMCH32, Chandigarh. In her address, she expressed her gratitude towards PNNFI for choosing CON, GMCH32 Chandigarh, for PNNFICON2025. She also welcomes dignitaries and delegates who come from far and near to attend this conference

Prof. HCL Rawat, President, PNNFI, addressed the gathering, appreciating the efforts of the organizers and encouraged healthcare professionals to adopt new approaches for better pediatric and neonatal health outcomes. Prof Pity Koul, National Advisor PNNFI, also addressed the gathering, highlighting the importance of innovations and collaboration in pediatric and neonatal care. Prof Dr G P Thami, Director Principal of GMCH32 Chandigarh, addressed the gathering. He appreciated that nurses are an important part of the health care team, specifically in the pediatric and neonatal care area

The day focused on advancements and innovations in preventive paediatrics, infant and young child feeding, and surgical management of neonates. The day concluded with free paper and poster presentations, where participants showcased their research work. The 3 best oral papers were selected for the award, 3 posters were also selected for the award, followed by the Annual General Body Meeting of PNNFI, a cultural program and dinner.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> day, 1<sup>st</sup> November 2025, covered various aspects of the management of sick newborns and children, NICU-specific strategies, and challenges in caring for children with disabilities. The sessions also highlighted topics such as neonatal transport, bundled care strategies, medication error prevention, antimicrobial stewardship, and the role of artificial intelligence in pediatric and neonatal research. A panel discussion was also held on menstrual hygiene, which provided an interactive platform for addressing social stigma and promoting policy change. The conference concluded with the valedictory session, where certificates were distributed, and the efforts of all organizers, speakers, and participants were appreciated.

Overall, PNNFICON2025 successfully brought together pediatric and neonatal nursing professionals from across the country, fostering learning, collaboration, and the exchange of innovative ideas to advance child health care in India. Delegates appreciated the organizing team and PNNFI Executives for organizing a wonderful conference



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**3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL NATIONAL CONFERENCE**  
**PEDIATRIC AND NEONATAL NURSES FORUM, INDIA**

In collaboration with  
**COLLEGE OF NURSING, GMCH, CHANDIGARH**  
 30.10.25 to 1.11.25

**THEME: ADVANCING PAEDIATRIC AND NEONATAL CARE: INNOVATIONS,  
 CHALLENGES AND FUTURE DIRECTIONS**

*VENUE: AUDITORIUM, 7<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR, EBLOCK, GMCH, CHD*

MAIN CONFERENCE DAY 01 (31.10.25)

TIME	TOPIC	RESOURCE PERSON
8:30-9:30 am	REGISTRATION	
9:30-11:00 am	PLENARY SESSION 1 Advancements and innovations in preventive paediatrics	CHAIRPERSONS Prof HCL Rawat Prof Pity Koul
	1. Immunization updates and challenges; immunization programme 2025: what is new for nurses	Dr Dinesh K Verma, PGIMER, Chandigarh
	2. Addressing vaccine hesitancy: strategies for paediatric nurses & vaccine delivery	Dr Shivani WHO, Coordinator, Chandigarh
	3. Government initiatives, specific programmes, RBSK, RKSK, JSSK, and Poshan Abhiyan, etc	Dr Parmees Kaur CONGMC 32 Chandigarh
	4. Spotlight on child abuse - Recognition, Assessment, and response under POCSO	Prof Dr Rakesh K Gorea, Ex Director, Medicolegal Institute, BFUHS, Faridkot
11:00-12:30 pm	PLENARY SESSION 2: Infant and young child feeding (IYCF)	CHAIRPERSONS Prof Dr Deepak Chawla Prof Dr Jyoti Sarin
	1. Human milk banking guidelines, ethics, challenges and implementation	Dr Mukta Kumar Civil Hospital, Panchkula
	2. Preventing malnutrition: Role of the nurse in Prevention & early detection	Dr Shashi Mawar AIIMS, New Delhi
	3. Feeding first 1000 days from womb to weaning	Prof Dr Rimple Sharma AIIMS, Jammu
12:30-1:00 pm	INAUGURATION CEREMONY	
1:00-2:00 pm	LUNCH	
2:00-2:30 pm	KEYNOTE ADDRESS: Empowering nurses as agents of change: leading the BFHI accreditation journey	CHAIRPERSON Prof Dr Vishal Guglani, GMCH, 32 Chandigarh SPEAKER Prof Dr Bhavneet Bharti AIMS Mohali, Punjab

2:30-4:30 pm	PLENARYSESSION3:Advancements and innovations in the surgical management of neonates	CHAIRPERSONS ProfHCLRawat Prof Jyoti Sarin
	1.Advancements in the prevention and early detection of congenital anomalies in the fetus andnewborns	Dr Dilpreet Kaur Pandher, GMCH 32 Chandigarh
	2.Surgical management of common congenital anomalies and preoperative stabilisation for safesurgery	Dr Shailesh Solanki, PGIMERChandigarh
	3. Pre- and post-operative nursing management of newborns with congenital anomalies /surgical neonates	Dr Srinitya Raghwan AIIMS, New Delhi
4:30-5:30 pm	FREEPAPERPRESENTATION	CHAIRPERSON/JUDGES DrBhim Singh DrRimpleSharma, Dr Hardeep Kaur
	POSTER PRESENTATION	CHAIRPERSON/JUDGES ProfSurendraSharma Prof Dipti Y Sorte Prof. Sunil KDular
<i>ANNUAL GENERAL BODY MEETING PNNFI</i>		

MAINCONFERENCE DAY 02(01.11.2025)

TIME	TOPICS	RESOURCEPERSON
8:30-10:30 am	PLENARYSESSION4:Advancementsandchallenges in the management of sick newborns/children	CHAIRPERSONS ProfArunKJindal Prof HCL Rawat
	1. Neonatal transport: how to make it safe andeffective	Dr Rupinder Deol, AIIMS,Rishikesh,UK
	2. Bundled care strategies inNICU/PICU	Ms Manjinder Kaur, PGIMERChandigarh
	3. Prevention of medication errors in Paediatrics	Prof Prem Lata Prakash CMC,Ludhiana,Punjab
10:30-10:45 am	TEABREAK	
10:45-11:30 am	PLENARYSESSION5:NICU-specificstrategiesand interventions	CHAIRPERSONS Prof HCL Rawat ProfDrSmritiArora
	1. Diagnosis and recent management strategies of neonatal sepsis	Dr Suksham Jain GMCH32 Chandigarh
	2. Antimicrobial stewardship in paediatrics & neonatal care	Dr Geetanjali Jindal, GMCH32, Chandigarh
	3. Smart NICU design focused on family-integratedcare	DrGeetanjli Kalyan NINE,PGIMERChandigarh
11:30-12:15 pm	PANEL DISCUSSION: Menstrual hygiene: breaking stigma, promoting education and advocating for policychanges	CHAIRPERSON/PENELISTS Prof Dr Pity Koul, Dr Sukhpal Kaur, Dr Himani Dr Harjit Dr MandeepKaur
12:15-1:15 pm	PLENARYSESSION6:Challenges& innovations in managing challenged children	CHAIRPERSONS Prof Dr Vishal Guglani Prof Dr Pity Koul
	1. Rethinking Disability: from limitations to abilities in paediatric care to empower every child	Prof Dr Smriti Arora, AIIMS,Rishikesh,UK
	2. Innovations & challenges in the management of children with neurodevelopmental disorders	DrNaveenSankhyan,P GIMER, Chandigarh
	3.UseofAIinpaediatrics&neonatalresearch&practice	Dr Deepak Chawla, GMCH,32,Chandigarh
1:15 -2:00 pm	LUNCH	
2:00 pmonwards	VALEDICTORYSESSION	



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**PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP  
DEVELOPMENTAL SUPPORTIVE CARE & KMC**

**DATE: 30<sup>TH</sup> OCT' 2025**

**VENUE: LT, 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR, E BLOCK, GMCH**

**Coordinator:** Dr Parmees Kaur

**Co-coordinator:** Ms Neha Kansal

TIME	TOPICS	RESOURCE PERSON
08:30 am to 09:30 am	Registration	
09:30 am to 10:00 am	Welcome of Participants & Pre-test	
10:00 am to 10:30 am	Overview of Growth & Development	Dr Parmees Kaur CON, GMCH, 32, Chandigarh
10.30 am to 11.15 am	DDST, TDSC	Prof Dr Yogesh Kumar CON, TMU, Moradabad UP
11.15 am to 11:30 am	<b>TEA BREAK</b>	
11.30 am to 12.15 pm	Developmental screening & monitoring	Ms Neha Kansal CON, GMCH 32 Chandigarh
12.15 pm to 1.00 pm	Kangaroo Mother Care, KMC	Ms Sarita Rawat NINE, PGIMER, Chandigarh
1.00 pm to 1.45 pm	<b>LUNCH</b>	
1.45 pm to 2.30 pm	Developmental Supportive Care	Ms Leena Pravil John CON, MMU Mullana Ambala
2.30 to 4.30 pm	Workstations: DDST & TDSC KMC Development delay assessment tools	All Faculty Members Ms Neha Kansal
4.30 pm to 5.00 pm	Tea, Post Test, and Feedback	



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**PRE-CONFERENCEWORKSHOP  
DRUG DOSAGE/FLUID CALCULATION AND ADMINISTRATION IN PEDIATRICS**

**DATE:30<sup>TH</sup>OCT' 2025**

**VENUE:AUDITORIUM,7<sup>TH</sup>FLOOR,EBLOCK,GMCH**

**Coordinator:**Prof. Dr Arun Jindal

**Co-coordinator:**Ms Poonam Verma

TIME	TOPICS	RESOURCEPERSON
08:30 am to 09:30 am	Registration	
09:30 am to 10:00 am	WelcomeofParticipants&Pre-test	
10:00 am to 10:30 am	Drugs and fluid preparation for neonate& paediatric clients	Prof Dr Arun Jindal,Secretary, PNNFI
10:30amto11:00am	Criteria for drug dosage and fluid calculation for neonates and paediatricclients	Prof HCL Rawat Era University Lucknow, UP
11.00amto11.15 am	<b>TEABREAK</b>	
11.15amto11.45 am	Common drugs used inpaediatrics	Prof Dr Gopal Singh Charan CON,MMDU,MullanaAmbala
11.45amto1:00pm	Administration of correct drug dosage& Fluids in paediatrics	Ms. PoonamVerma CON,GMCH32Chandigarh
1:00 pm to 1:45 pm	<b>LUNCH</b>	
1.45 pm to 2.45 pm	MedicationErrors in Paediatrics &Prevention	Ms.JatinderKaur CONCMC,Ludhiana,PB
2.45 to 4.30 pm	Hands-on station: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drug/fluid calculation</li> <li>• Drug/fluid preparation</li> <li>• Common drugs used</li> <li>• Drug/fluid administration/infusion</li> <li>• Right strategies for correct administration&amp;preventing errors</li> </ul>	All Faculty Members Ms Poonam Verma
4.30 pm to 5.00 pm	<b>Post Test and Feedback</b>	





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**PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP  
NEONATAL RESUSCITATION PROGRAM: OPTIMIZING GOLDEN  
HOUR DATE: 30<sup>TH</sup> OCT' 2025  
VENUE: LT, 4<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR, E BLOCK, GMCH**

Coordinator: Dr Rupinder Deol

Co-Coordinator: Dr Ramandeep Kaur

TIME	TOPICS	RESOURCE PERSON
08:30 am to 09:30 am	Registration	
09:30 am to 10:00 am	Welcome of Participants & Pre-test	
10:00 am to 10:30 am	Overview of Neonatal Resuscitation	Dr Rupinder Deol, AIIMS, Rishikesh
10.30 am to 11.00 am	Routine Care	Prof Dipti Y Sorte, Dehradun
11.00 am to 11:15 am	<b>TEA BREAK</b>	
11.15 am to 12.00 pm	Initial Steps in Resuscitation	Dr Ramandeep Kaur CON, GMCH, 32 Chandigarh
12.00 pm to 12.30 pm	Positive Pressure Ventilation/Bag and Mask Ventilation	Prof Dr Rimple Sharma, AIIMS, Jammu
12.30 pm to 1:00 pm	Chest Compression	Dr Geetanjali Kalyan NINE, PGIMER Chandigarh
1.00 pm to 1.45 pm	<b>LUNCH</b>	
01.45 pm to 02.15 pm	Endotracheal Intubation	Dr Likhith Kumar, PGIMER, Chandigarh
2:15 pm to 2.45 pm	Drugs used in NRP	Dr Likhith Kumar
2.45 pm to 3.15 pm	Special Consideration: • Resuscitation of Pre-term Babies: Ethics and care at the end of Life	Dr Likhith Kumar Dr Rimple Sharma
3:15 pm to 4:30 pm	Hands-on/Workstation • Initial steps • Bag and Mask Ventilation • Chest Compression • ET Intubation	All NRP Faculty Members, Dr Ramandeep Kaur
4.30 pm to 05.00 pm	<b>Tea, Post Test and Feedback</b>	



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PEDIATRIC & NEONATAL PAIN: ASSESSMENT AND MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES FOR  
BETTER OUTCOMES  
DATE: 30<sup>TH</sup> OCT' 2025  
VENUE: AUDITORIUM, 6<sup>TH</sup> LEVEL, E BLOCK, GMCH**

COORDINATOR: Dr Geetanjli Kalyan

CO-COORDINATOR: Ms Harpreet Kaur

TIME	TOPICS	RESOURCE PERSON
8:30-9:30 am	Registration	
9:30 – 10.00 am	Welcome of participants and pretest	
10:00-11:00 am	Understanding the Physiology and Psychology of pain in neonates and children	Dr MV Smitha AIIMS Bhubneshwar
11:00-11:15 am	TEA BREAK	
11:15-12:00 pm	Pain Assessment in neonates and children: Pain Assessment Tools Across age groups	Dr Geetanjli Kalyan NINE, PGIMER, Chandigarh
12:00-1:00 pm	Pharmacological management of pain in neonates & children	Dr Likhith Kumar PGIMER, Chandigarh
1:00-1:45 pm	LUNCH	
1:45-2:30 pm	Non-pharmacological management of pain in neonates & children	Dr Jyoti Shokeen AIIMS, Rishikesh, UK
2:30-3:00 pm	Incorporation of traumatic care principles in routine neonatal practice	J. Subbulakshmi AIIMS, New Delhi
3:00 – 3:30 pm	Role of the nurse & parents in Management of pain in neonates & children	Chetna Sahu AIIMS, Raipur, Chhattisgarh
3:30– 4.30 pm	Hands-on sessions, Roleplay/simulation Pain assessment in simulated neonates /children Use of pain scales Simulation pain assessment exercise	All Faculty Members Ms Harpreet Kaur
4:30– 5.00 pm	Post-test and feedback	

