



Child Health

Introduction: Children are both challenging and easy to treat. Although they can get very ill very quickly, they also respond well to early and effective treatment.

TOP Child Health Work Based Activities to focus on this week. Make sure you can:

- 1. Fluid management in AGE and dehydration, and persistent diarrhoea protocol. (EDL)
- 2. Emergency care of the sick infant / child
- 3. Antibiotic choices in LRTIs: severe vs mild pneumonias, bronchiolitis, asthma, non-responding
- 4. Inpatient management of SAM. (EDL/WHO 10 steps)
- 5. Management of status epilepticus in children and neonates (EDL, GSH 'purple book')
- 6. Management of sick and healthy prems common issues (fluids and feeds, KMC protocols, etc) (MSSN)

HIV & TB resources will be find under the Infectious Disease section and triage and SATS under Emergency Medicine.

Key Guidelines:

Standard treatment guidelines and Essential medicines list for South Africa Hospital level Paediatrics

https://www.knowledgehub.org.za/elibrary/hospital-level-paediatrics-standard-treatment-guidelines-and-essential-medicines-list

Integrated management of childhood illness 2019; Department of Health; Republic of South Africa https://www.knowledgehub.org.za/system/files/elibdownloads/2020-10/2019%20IMCI%20CHART%20BOOKLET.pdf

Reading material / Tutorials/ Webinars / Additional resources

Limpopo Initiative for Newborn care: Essential Newborn Care package: Includes Newborn Care charts, ENC quality improvement kit., and a full MSSN course (Management of Sick and Small newborns): http://www.lincare.co.za/?page_id=1207

Assisting mom and health care workers with newborn care including breastfeeding: Great, practical videos for mom and healthcare workers -e.g. the ones on assisting during breastfeeding is very useful. https://globalhealthmedia.org/videos/

Identifying serious bacterial infections in young infants. Webinar 2022. Dr Lizelle Keet, Paediatrician DCST BCM. https://youtu.be/jfrWM_U89fQ

The structured approach to the seriously ill child, including tips for safe transfer. Webinar 2022. Dr Tintswalo Motimele, Frere Hospital, Eastern Cape: https://youtu.be/Yl7eht7d3ul

Common procedures on children adapted for resource limited areas: USA based procedure videos for resource limited settings. SUGAR (Simulation Use for Global Away Rotations) curriculum include SUGAR PEARLS (Procedural Education for Adaptation to Resource limited Settings. A video series about how to perform procedures with supplies commonly found in resource-limited settings. https://sugarprep.org/videos/

Bubble CPAP. One of the SUGAR PEARL videos. https://sugarprep.org/videos/#Bubble_CPAP

The Children's Act Guide: This guide make child health legal aspects much easier to understand-chapters on consent and abuse and neglect especially

relevant. http://www.ci.uct.ac.za/sites/default/files/image tool/images/367/publication/2013/Childrens%20Act%20Guide%20for%20Health%20Professionals%202013.pdf

Management of severe acute malnutrition. Article in SAMJ: http://www.samj.org.za/index.php/samj/article/view/10072

Neonatal Care in Rural Health. Webinar 2021. Pitfalls and FAQ. Dr Michaela Lotz, Madwaleni Hospital: https://youtu.be/aXqzO7EaDO4

GSH Neonates 'Purple Book' (app available) https://neonatalguidelines.com

Asthma treatment in children: A pragmatic approach SAMJ 2018 https://allsa.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/Asthma-treatment-in-children-a-pragatic-approach.pdf

Google drive folder link with resources:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/10SeEWybfm FZ3ZJDlnvGGdlXHaZiHcq4?usp=sharing

- Union desk guide for diagnosing TB in children
- Catch UP immunization schedule
- Signs that breast feeding going well
- Reference ranges for HR / RR and BP in different age groups
- Gastro-enteritis monitoring tool (used by CMH)