



PNPG at FNCE: Ask the Pediatric Nutrition Experts

The Pediatric Nutrition Practice Group (PNPG) will be hosting a live virtual Q&A session on WebEx with leading pediatric nutrition experts. This free event is perfect for individuals exploring a career in pediatric nutrition or looking to shift career paths within the specialty. Tune in to ask your questions during the live moderated event or send your questions to PNPG by October 16th and watch the recording. Registration (free, and open to all) is required. [Click here](#) for more information or to register*.

Topics & Speakers include:

- Neonatal Nutrition – Deborah Abel, PhD, RDN, LDN
- Eating Disorders – Shonda Brown, RD, CSP, CEDRD
- Pediatric Oncology – Courtney Huddle, MS, RDN, LDN
- Dietetic Internship during COVID-19 pandemic – Martha Barnes, Dietetic Intern

Date: Sunday, October 18th 2020

Time: 5:00 pm (Central Time Zone)

**A 15% off discount code on a NEW Pediatric Nutrition Care Manual (PNCM) subscription will be offered to all PNPG FNCE event attendees (NEW subscriptions only, not renewals. One license per subscription). Valid through the end of 2020.*

Speakers:

Deborah Abel, PhD, RDN, LDN



Deborah Abel, PhD, RDN, LDN, is Director of the Graduate Certificate in Pediatric Nutrition Program and Clinical Associate Professor in the Department of Dietetics and Nutrition, Florida International University (FIU). Following 10 years of experience as a neonatal pediatric dietitian in the NICU at Riley Hospital IU Health and completion of doctoral research with the premature infant, she joined FIU and continued the development of online pediatric nutrition courses (17 years total). Dr. Abel received a US Patent for the development of a unique neonatal nutrition assessment system in the NICU (2011). During her career spanning over 30 years, she also has had extensive leadership and management experience as the Director/Manager of Food and Nutrition Services.

Shonda Brown, RD, CSP, CEDRD



Shonda received her BS in Nutritional Sciences with a concentration in Exercise Science from Cornell University, Ithaca, NY and completed her dietetic internship at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences in Little Rock, AR. She also has credentials in Pediatric Nutrition (CSP) and Eating Disorders (CEDRD). Shonda is the lead dietitian of CHOC Children's Medical Stabilization Program for eating disorders and was instrumental in the program's development of hospital care guidelines for medical and nutritional recovery originally developed in 2008. She is actively involved in multiple research initiatives in both feeding and eating disorders and has published in the area of feeding problems describing short-term outcomes of children with pediatric feeding disorders treated in an intensive inpatient multidisciplinary program. She has presented at local and national/international conferences on feeding problems and ARFID, including the National Speech and Hearing Association Conference and World Congress of Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition.

Courtney Huddle, MS, RDN, LDN



Courtney is a senior clinical dietitian with the Levine Children's Cancer and Blood Disorders (LC-CBD) program at Levine Children's Hospital in Charlotte, NC. Her primary focus area is with blood and marrow transplantation and cellular therapies. Along with her fellow RD colleagues within LC-CBD, she has worked to develop Best Practice Guidelines for the diagnosis and treatment of malnutrition for on-therapy oncology and BMT patients receiving therapy at Levine Children's. Her research interests include investigating complementary therapies for the treatment of mucositis. She completed her M.S. in Human Nutrition at Winthrop University and finished her DI through Lenoir-Rhyne University. When she's not working, she is currently enjoying all the joys (!!) of virtual school with her 4 children.

Martha Barnes, Dietetic Intern



Martha Barnes is the 2020-2021 student liaison for the Pediatric Nutrition Practice Group. As an undergraduate student she gained experience working as a dietitians' assistant in a clinical setting and as a volunteer for an advanced practice neonatal dietitian. In spring of 2020 she graduated from Kansas State University with a bachelor's degree in dietetics and human nutrition. Martha currently lives in Michigan where she is working on completing her dietetic internship at Michigan Medicine with a concentration in pediatric nutrition therapy.