

Turning the Tide - Conference Program

Wednesday, May 11, 2011

Day 1 - The Experience of Giving Birth

- 7:30** Continental Breakfast and Registration
- 8:30** Welcome, Introductions/Charge to Panel
PSBC, BCWH, CMNH, MOH
- 9:15** 100 Years of Giving Birth - Learning from the Past
Neal Devitt, family physician
- 10:00** What do Women Believe Normal Birth is?
Eugene Declercq, epidemiologist
- 10:45** Active Engagement with Participants
- 11:00** Break
- 11:15** Navigating Choices in Childbirth
Asheya Hennessey, consumer
- 12:00** Active Engagement with Participants
- 12:15** Lunch (provided)
- 13:15** What Can Hospitals Learn from Home Birth?
Saraswathi Vedam, midwife
- 14:00** Vaginal Birth: What's in it for the Baby?
Mark Sloan, pediatrician
- 14:45** Active Engagement with Participants
- 15:00** Break
- 15:15** Social Media and Birth
Amy Romano, midwife
- 16:00** Active Engagement with Participants
- 16:30** Adjournment

Thursday, May 12, 2011

Day 2 - Balancing Interventions for Best Outcomes

- 7:30** Continental Breakfast
- 9:00** What is the Optimal Use of Continuous EFM?
Ann Sprague, nurse
- 9:30** What is the Optimal Use of Induction of Labour?
Barra O'Briain, family physician
- 10:00** Active Engagement with Participants
- 10:15** Break
- 10:30** What is the Optimal Use of Epidural During Labour?
Giselle Villar, anesthesiologist
- 11:00** Recommending and Supporting VBAC
Dale Steele, obstetrician
- 11:30** Active Engagement with Participants
- 11:45** Lunch (provided)
- 12:45** Trials of the Term Breech
Dena Bloomenthal, obstetrician
- 13:15** Informed Consent: When Autonomy and Beneficence Collide
Andrew Kotaska, obstetrician
- 14:00** Active Engagement with Participants
- 14:30** Break
- 14:45** Panel: How Can an Interprofessional Team Support Normal Birth?
Anne Biringer, family physician • Nancy Kent, obstetrician • Melanie Basso, nurse • Linda Knox, midwife
- 15:30** Building Partnerships with Women, their Families and Care Providers
Michael Klein, family physician
- 16:00** Active Engagement with Participants
- 16:30** Adjournment

Friday, May 13, 2011

Day 3 - Turning the Tide

- 7:30** Continental Breakfast
- 9:00** Turning the Tide: Balancing Birth Experience & Interventions for Best Outcomes to Improve Birth for Women
Karen Buhler, family physician
- 9:45** Active Participation
- 10:45** Break
- 11:00** Conference Panel Presentation
Nardia Strydom, panel chair
- 12:00** Closing Statements and Adjournment
Lee Saxell, conference chair

Conference Questions:

- How do we promote women's autonomy and control regardless of risk?
- How do the following interventions impact the birth experience? What is the optimal use of each intervention?
 - continuous electronic fetal monitoring
 - induction of labour
 - epidural
- How do we build partnerships with women and their families to improve delivery of care?
- What support is required from government, hospitals and Perinatal Services BC, to help balance interventions and the birth experience?