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Apgar

7 - 10 mild or no distress
4 – 6 moderate distress
0 – 3 score means that the baby has severe distress

Parameters: 2 no issue

1 moderate,

0 absent or poor

Color, HR, Resp effort

Tone and reflex (response to stimuli)

Ballard Score determines Gestational Age
Silverman Determines WOB/Resp Distress

- 0-3 Mild
- 4-6 Moderate
- >6 Impending failure

Congenital Heart

Cyanotic (Right to left shunt) most blood will not get to lungs for O₂

- Tetralogy of Fallot
- Transposition of the Great Vessels

Non-Cyanotic

Left to Right Shunting

- Ventricular Septal Defect (VSD)
- Atrial Septal Defect (ASD)
 - AKA - Patent Foramen Ovale
- Patent Ductus Arteriosus (PDA)

Surfactant PG present & LS 2:1 is mature lungs. < 2:1 immature lungs/premature infant

List Fetal Shunts from Mom to Baby

When do they close?

What mothers are more likely to have high risk pregnancy/infant? _____

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Common Neonatal Conditions

| | TTN | Meconium Aspiration | IRDS |
|------------------------------------|--|---|--|
| <i>Cause</i> | C Section | Post term infant meconium present fluid | Premature infant |
| <i>CXR</i> | Grey, wet slightly under expanded | Flattened diaphragm ➤ 9 ribs expanded with infiltrates middle lobes | Decreased expansion often 6 or < ribs, white out to ground glass |
| <i>Breath Sounds</i> | Crackles | Wheezes, course | Diminished |
| <i>Symptoms</i> | Inc WOB , | Inc WOB, high pressure to bag | Inc WOB, High Pressure with bag/PPV |
| <i>Vitals</i> | Increase RR decrease Spo2 | May have no respiratory effort, very poor oxygenation | Poor oxygenation |
| <i>Treatment</i> | CPAP or HFNC | Conventional Vent | Surfactant / CPAP if improvement/ Conventional vent if no improvement |
| <i>May require</i> | Oxygen | HFOV, INO for PPHN | HFOV, permissive hypercapnia |
| <i>Additional notes</i> | Generally resolves few days | Long term issue, poor prognosis. Requires High FIO2 which is unusual in NICU | Watch for rapid improvement after surfactant. Can lead to BPD chronic lung DZ |

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Ventilator Management in the Neonate

ABG Criteria for Mech vent Neonate PH _____ PaCO₂ _____ PaO₂ _____

Ventilator Changes for ABG Chart

| | ↑ PaCo ₂ | ↓ PaO ₂ | ↓ PaCo ₂ | ↑ PaO ₂ >70 |
|----------------------|--|---|--|--|
| NPPV | Increase IPAP | Increase CPAP | Switch to CPAP | Wean FIO ₂ First |
| NPPV | Increase rate ONLY if not a Backup rate | Increase FIO ₂ Carefully | Decrease IPAP | Then slowly wean CPAP |
| Mech Vent | Increase PIP 1 st unless over- expanded CXR | Increase PEEP | Wean PIP | Wean FIO ₂ as low As possible |
| Mech Vent | 2 nd choice Increase RR | Increase FIO ₂ carefully | Wean RR | Wean PEEP if higher 4 |
| Mech Vent | May need to increase flow to increase VT | Never go above 60% unless PPHN | | Start considering extubation if : Cont.. |
| Mech Vent | May need to increase I time to increase VT | May need to increase I time to increase FRC | Always consider extubation if low CO ₂ on conventional vent if settings low | PaO₂ is high or normal AND PH and CO₂ Respiratory Alkalosis or Normal |
| HFOV | Increase AMP/Power | MAP increase by 2 | Decrease AMP/Power | Wean FIO ₂ |
| HFOV | HZ decrease try to avoid this! | FIO ₂ never above 60% | Consider switch to conventional or NPPV if ABG great | Wean MAP (Consider conventional or NPPV if ABG good) |

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Pressure control will be discussed more in detail in Ventilator management

Always use Pressure Control with Neonates

- RR 30 – 40 bpm (Infant will over breathe vent)
- PIP – 15 – 20 cm H₂O (Primary Control of Ventilation-CO₂ Removal)
- PEEP 3 – 5 cm H₂O (Oxygenation)
- Flow 6 – 8 lpm (If set too low VT will not be reached)
- Ti .25 - .5 seconds (Lower I time for more premature infant)

Flow inflating bags are used in neonates. The pressure is controlled with flowmeter and release or relief valve. If PIP or inflation is too high turn down flow or open the relief valve. If not enough Pressure close the valve or increase the flow. Always have a manometer and bag in green 20-25 cmH₂O.

Neonates require PPV or Bag mask Positive pressure breaths for apnea, inadequate Respiration (gaspings or RR < 20), or HR < 100. Primary Apnea requires stimulation only but most apnea will be considered secondary which requires PPV.

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