

### Paediatric Pain

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## Objectives

- Why
- Pain assessment in children
- Specific treatments

## Why?





#### NSF Children 2003

"Prevention, assessment and treatment of **pain** is improved with children as active partners in the process."

- No comprehensive document for all aspects of pain management
- Should be peer reviewed, evidence based with specific guidelines

#### Pediatric Anesthesia

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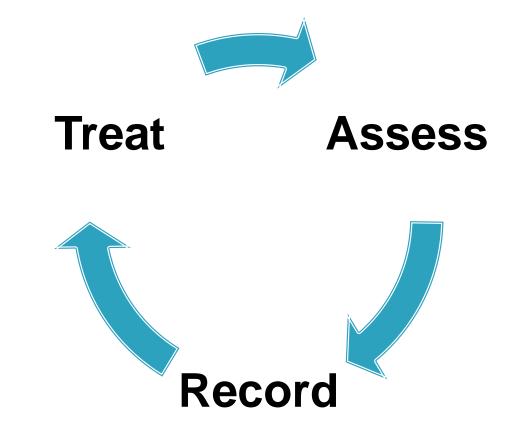


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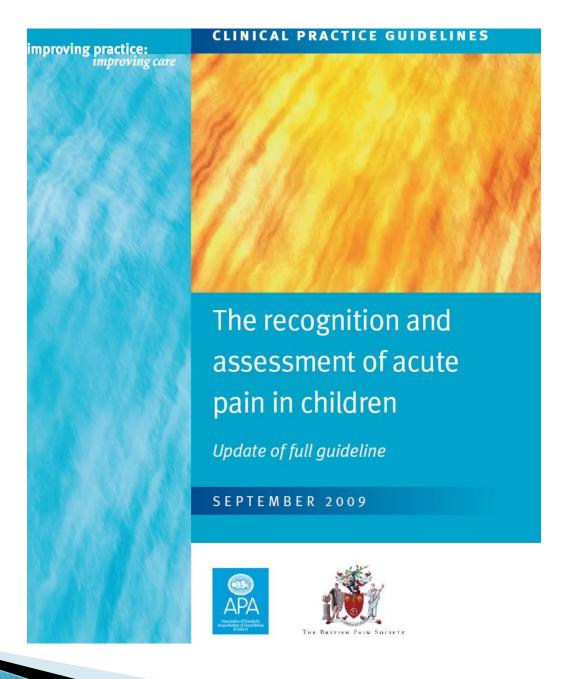
- Multidisciplinary guideline development group
- SIGN methodology
- Evidence-based recommendations
- Good practice points

## Cycle of pain Management



#### Pain Assessment

- Fundamental
- Adapted to the child
- Child
- Family
- Carers



## 3 Approaches

- Self-report
- Observational/Behavioural
- Physiological

## Self-Report

- Direct measure
- Requires advanced cognitive skills
- Not suitable <3−4 years</p>

Wong-Baker FACES Pain Rating Scale



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## Observational/Behavioural

- Pain / Distress not easily separated
- Suitable for neonates and infants
- Used in combination with other tools

#### FLACC scale

Categories	0	Scoring 1	2
Face	No particular expression or smile	Occasional grimace or frown, withdrawn, disinterested	Frequent to constant quivering chin, clenched jaw
Legs	Normal position or relaxed	Uneasy, restless, tense	Kicking, or legs drawn up
Activity	Lying quietly, normal position moves easilyl	Squirming, shifting back and forth, tense	Arched, rigid or jerking
Cry	No cry, (awake or asleep)	Moans or whimpers; occasional complaint	Crying steadily, screams or sobs, frequent complaints
Consolability	Content, relaxed	Reassured by occasional touching hugging or being talked to, distractable	Difficulty to console or comfort

Each of the five categories is scored from 0-2, resulting in a total score between 0 and 10.

The FLACC scale was developed by Sandra Merkel, MS, RN, Terri Voepel-Lewis, MS, RN, and Shobha Malviya, MD, at C. S. Mott Children's Hospital, University of Michigan Health System, Ann Arbor, MI.

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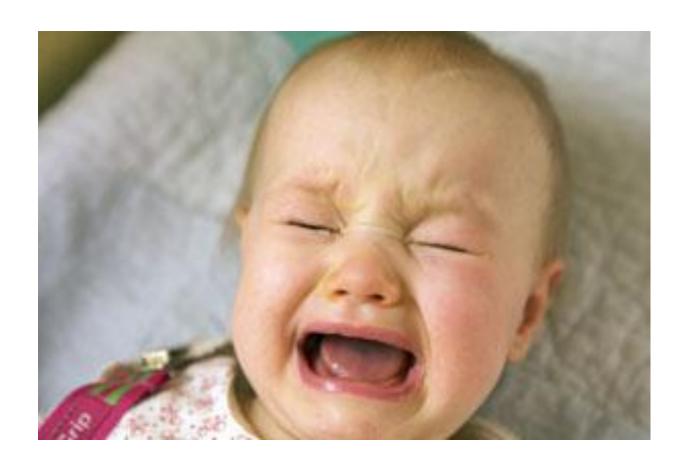
## Physiological

- RR, HR and BP
- Unreliable
- Neonates, Infants and young children

Buttner W, Fincke W.

Analysis of behavioural and physiological parameters for the assessment of postoperative analgesic demand in newborns, infants and young children.

Paediatr Anaesth 2000; 10: 303-318



#### **Medical Procedures**

- Topical LA insufficient for Heel Lance
- Venepuncture Vs. Heel Lance
- I.M. Injections
- Breast feeding





## Tonsillectomy

- Tonsillitis/OSA
- Significant levels of pain for 5-8 days
- Standardised protocols
- Opioids
- Dexamethasone
- Paracetamol + NSAIDs

#### Circumcision

- Day-case
- Significant post-op pain
- Avoid Opioid-only
- Caudal epidural
- Dorsal nerve block

## Inguinal Hernia Repair

- Caudal
- Ilio-inguinal block
- Paravertebral block

## Orthopaedic

NSAIDs

Ibuprofen >3months Diclofenac >6months

- Brachial plexus blocks (Axillary, Interscalene, Supraclavicular)
- Peripheral nerve blocks
- Lumbar/Caudal epidural

## In-Patient Analgesia

- Caudal additive drugs
- Opioid infusions
- Epidural infusions

#### **Neuaxial Additives**

▶ S-Ketamine 0.25-0.5mgKg<sup>-1</sup>

▶ Clonidine 1–2mcgsKg<sup>-1</sup>

## **Opioid Infusions**

PCA

Morphine 20 mcgKg<sup>-1</sup> 5min lockout

Background 0-10mcgKg<sup>-1</sup>hr<sup>-1</sup>

NCA

Morphine 20 mcgKg<sup>-1</sup> 20min lockout

Background 0–20mcgKg<sup>-1</sup>hr<sup>-1</sup>

## **Epidural Infusions**

- Levobupivacaine 0.125%
- Levobupivacaine 0.1% + Fentanyl 2mcg/ml
  - 0.1–0.3mls Kg<sup>-1</sup> hr<sup>-1</sup>

## Non-pharmacolgical

- Behavioural
- Cognitive
- Distraction
- Hypnosis

## Summary

- Effective assessment is the cornerstone of pain management
- Multimodal approach
- LA
- Non-pharmacological techniques



#### Questions?

Thank You