

EPIQ GRAND ROUNDS

Session 33

WEDNESDAY, December 03rd, 2025

Synactive Guidance of Development in NICU:

How NIDCAP Works.

Objectives:

As you hear 'Waylon's Story', you will learn

- 1 - the Synactive Theory of Development;
- 2 - how neurobehavioural observation guides caregiving in the NICU;
- 3 – that empowering parents leads to sequential developmental success.

Presented by:

Dr. Juzer Tyebkhan



Dr Juzer Tyebkhan FOF-gf⁶, MBBS, FRCPC is the proud Father of Four and Grandfather of Six, who are responsible for his most important degree, FOF-gf6.

When not on Chat GPT = Chatting, Grand Parenting Time, he is a Neonatologist and NIDCAP Trainer at the Stollery Children's Hospital NICU in Edmonton, Alberta.

He graduated from the Medical School at University College London, UK and after a few years of residency in the UK. came to Edmonton for a 1-year fellowship in Neonatology. That was 30 years ago....

Juzer first heard about NIDCAP from Dr Heidelise Als' seminal paper in JAMA, 1994. He was co-investigator of the Edmonton RCT of NIDCAP, as a result of which Edmonton became the first [and as yet the only] NIDCAP Training Centre in Canada.

Juzer has been a NIDCAP Trainer and a Director of the Board of the NIDCAP Federation International since 2017.

His special interests are the neurobehaviour of newborn infants and developmental support for infants while they are in, and after leaving the NICU.

When not on the unit "doing NIDCAP", he is often with the sub-specialty NIDCAP Fellows, who spend one year pursuing NIDCAP and APiB training. Much chocolate and coffee are consumed during these encounters.

Length: 1 hour

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