

# Paediatric Emergency Medicine

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## Objectives

- To look at how to assess an unwell child
- To look at what to do for an unwell child

Emergencies are rare

Simple Assessment

Simple Treatment

## Cardiac Arrest in Children

is due to circulatory or respiratory inadequacy. The aim of treatment is to prevent cardiac arrest by dealing with the causes of these.

## Emergency Conditions in Children

Airway and Breathing	Circulatory	Neurological	Others

	Assessment	Management	
	Look Listen Feel	Simple	Drugs
Airway and Breathing			
Circulation			
Disability			
Exposure, Fever, Pain			

- Summary
- Assess ABCD
- Treat as needed
- Get Help

## Feedback Form

What was it all about?

Was the subject interesting or relevant?

Was the format OK?

Did you like the worksheet?

Is there a venue you would prefer?

Do you think drug company reps should sponsor the meetings?

How do you want to support the Wirral nonprincipals group?

Have you been to [www.wirralgp.org](http://www.wirralgp.org)?

Do you want to be listed as available to do locum sessions?

What is your mail address?





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### **PBC leads to practice partnerships**

The result of the combined challenges of practice based commissioning and alternative PMS providers are leading to the development of practice partnerships. Diversity has always been a feature of UK Primary care, and the alliance of neighbouring practices to improve service provision and support administration has been part of the story of development of group practice over 50 years. These new models have groups of practices combining to form commissioning groups distinct from their GP role, some of which also seek to provide services.

### **The DDRB award vindictive**

The BMA was unhappy with the governments response to the 'independent' review body recommendations. The annual pay rise, less than inflation is going to be further reduced in value by staging. For 'salaried GPs employed by PCOs it recommended a salary range of £50,332 to £76,462. It also recommended that the GMP trainers grant should be uplifted by 2.2 per cent' according to the BMA.

### **White paper on primary care Our Say**

The department of health has produced a white paper which they call *Our health, our care, Our Say*. This makes it clear it is what they want to say. The BMA has responded as has the King's Fund for London. They describe it as an ambitious agenda and state that to help it work will require dealing with the financial situation.

### **Doctors for Reform?**

The 900 doctors who signed an open letter to the Secretary of State for health have certainly received one of their aims, to bring the debate about the future of the NHS to the fore. The letter probably hit headlines as it fitted the media portrayal of greedy doctors out to help themselves. Later more considered commentators were able to draw out more themes to do with the continued political interference being a major problem for the NHS.

### **Wirral Easter Egg Run goes ahead**

An annual opportunity for mayhem returned to the Wirral this weekend as hundreds of motorbikes formed a convoy around the roads. Many bikers were dressed with rabbit ears and some were dressed as chickens unafraid of the flu. These public spirited fellows gather each year to take easter eggs to the childrens wards and sometimes collect money for good causes. The event has been unofficial for 2 years as the costs of policing it are supposed to be met by organisers, and insurance for the event is required.

### **Call the Coroner**

The Cheshire Coroner is one of the few full time coroners in the UK. New proposals from the Department of Constitutional Affairs have suggested that this is part of the model for the service of the future. Another arm of the proposals is that all deaths 500,000 pr year be investigated independently by legal coroners with greater medical support.

These proposals lead on from recommendations for reform in 2003 from The Shipman Enquiry, which identified flaws in the death certification process as well as cremation forms. There is no sign of hurry however so it may be another 3 years before any further action to reduce the risk to doctors due to the problems with the current system.

GPs on the Wirral have meetings through the year if there are any you would like people to know about please let us know. In addition if there is anything you think could be of use please [email](mailto:news@wirralgp.org.uk) us on [news@wirralgp.org.uk](mailto:news@wirralgp.org.uk).