



## APCP NEONATAL COMMITTEE

### Introduction to Neonatal Care for Therapists

#### LEARNING OBJECTIVES

##### **DAY 1 – Prematurity, pathology and concepts in care:**

- to understand and discuss the impact of prematurity and pathologies on maturing body systems
- to understand preterm development
- to have an understanding of the impact of premature birth on parents

##### **DAY 1 - Respiratory Care Workshop:**

- to outline and discuss indications, contraindications and precautions to chest physiotherapy
- to be able to discuss physiotherapy techniques
- to be able to clinically reason appropriate intervention

##### **DAY 1 – Individualised Care Workshop:**

- to be able to discuss principles of positioning
- to have an understanding of the principles of individualised care

##### **DAY 2 – Neurodevelopmental assessment and intervention for premature infants:**

- to be able to describe briefly elements of neurological assessment
- to be able to discuss relevance of neurological assessment, identify problems and plan interventions for babies on NICU and SCBU
- to be able to discuss discharge planning and follow up of high risk infants
- to have an understanding of common issues in the first few months and the role of the therapist post discharge
- to understand the approach of Family Integrated Care