



NOEP 2026 – What's New

Overall changes or additions to the course

- Three new narrators, with a variety of voice characteristics, all dynamic in narration
- The learner can now speed up and slow down the speed of narration
- Integrated case scenarios throughout the modules
- NOEP Study Guides to use in conjunction with the program
- Several modules were reorganized, and the entire program was streamlined (as outlined below) to allow learners to focus on core knowledge and avoid information overload.
 - As a result, the contact hours have decreased from 41.25 to 30.5.
 - Now, learners can complete the program in less time, and spend more time in the clinical environment, gaining real-world experience and applying their knowledge.
 - This reduction in overall program time was achieved in several ways:
 - Elimination of redundancy in the program
 - Combining and eliminating modules and segments as outlined below

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Previous NOEP Modules & Segments (NOEP5/NOEP23)	New NOEP Modules & Segments (NOEP6/NOEP26)	Clinical Updates
Module 1: Families in Crisis <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The NICU Nurse 2. Parent-Newborn Attachment 3. Family in Crisis 4. Families in the NICU 	Module 1: Families in Crisis <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Parent-Newborn Attachment 2. Parenting Through Trauma 3. Families in the NICU 4. Self-Care for NICU Nurses 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Added more information about trauma-informed care of neonates and their families • Content related to neonatal loss was removed from Module 1 and re-

		purposed/expanded as Module 14: Neonatal Loss
Module 15: Developmental Care and Management of Pain and Stress <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Development 2. Developmental Care 3. Pain and Stress Management 4. Special Considerations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Substance Exposed Infant 	Module 2: Developmental Care and Management of Pain and Stress <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Development 2. Developmentally Supportive Care 3. Management of Pain and Stress 4. The Substance Exposed Newborn 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moved this module to #2 in the recommended order to ensure all care is seen through a developmental lens • No major clinical updates
Module 2: Transition to Extrauterine Life <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Maternal/Fetal Conditions that Increase the Risk for Abnormal Transition 2. Physiology of Transition to Extrauterine Life 3. Transition Care: Initial Newborn Care After Birth 	Module 3: Transition to Extrauterine Life <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Factors that Influence Transition 2. Newborn Transition and Resuscitation 3. Initial Newborn Care 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expanded newborn resuscitation content based on current ILCOR guidelines
Module 3: Physical Assessment <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Physical Assessment of the Newborn 2. Skin 3. Head 4. Chest 5. Abdomen 6. Genitalia 7. Extremities 8. Neurologic Assessment 	Module 4: Physical Assessment <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Foundations of Newborn Assessment 2. Assessment of Systems 3. Congenital Anomalies and Genetic Conditions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information about unique needs of the late preterm infant added (old Module 11: Care of the Late Preterm Infant eliminated). • Added segment on congenital anomalies/genetics (replaces content from old Module 16: Genetic Disorders and Congenital Anomalies).
Module 11: Issues Affecting the Late Preterm Infant <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Late Preterm Infant 		

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Complications in the Newborn Period 3. Discharge Planning 		
<p>Module 16: Genetic Disorders and Congenital Anomalies</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Congenital Anomalies 2. Genetic Disorders 3. Chromosomal Disorders 4. Single Gene Disorders 5. Complex/Multifactorial Disorders 6. Newborn Screening 		
<p>Module 4: The Respiratory System</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Respiratory System 2. Physiology of Respiration 3. Condition of the Lungs 4. Treatment of Lung Disorders, Modes of Achieving Ventilation 5. Gas Exchange/Blood Gas Interpretation 6. Weaning from Mechanical Ventilation 7. Pulmonary Air Leaks 	<p>Module 5: The Respiratory System</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Development and Physiology of the Respiratory System 2. Blood Gas Interpretation 3. Respiratory Conditions 4. Respiratory Support 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Re-organized and streamlined content for clarity • Eliminated redundant information within the module
<p>Module 5: The Cardiovascular System</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Cardiovascular System 2. Dysrhythmias 3. Congenital Heart Defects (CHD) 4. CHD Classifications and Types 5. Congestive Heart Failure 6. Shock 	<p>Module 6: The Cardiovascular System</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Cardiovascular System 2. Dysrhythmias 3. Congenital Heart Defects (CHD) 4. CHD Classifications and Types 5. Congestive Heart Failure and Shock 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Added new audio for heart sounds and murmurs • No major clinical updates

<p>Module 6: The Gastrointestinal System</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Functional Development of the Gastrointestinal (GI) Tract 2. Assessment of the Gastrointestinal System 3. Disorders of the Upper GI Tract 4. Disorders of the Lower GI Tract 5. Necrotizing Enterocolitis and Short Bowel Syndrome 	<p>Module 7: The Gastrointestinal System</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Assessment of the Gastrointestinal System 2. Disorders of the Gastrointestinal Tract 3. Necrotizing Enterocolitis 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No major updates
<p>Module 7: Metabolic and Nutritional Support</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Fluid and Electrolyte Homeostasis 3. Nutritional Management <p>Module 13: Lactation Support in the NICU</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Breastfeeding and Human Milk 2. Ten Steps for Promoting and Protecting Breastfeeding for Vulnerable Infants 3. Breastfeeding Challenges 4. Lactation Support Personnel 	<p>Module 8: Newborn Nutrition</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Parenteral Nutrition 2. Enteral Nutrition and Oral Feeding 3. Breastfeeding and Lactation Support 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Combined 2 previous modules (Metabolic and Nutritional Support and Lactation Support in the NICU) • Expanded parenteral nutrition content • More focus on oral feeding readiness and interventions, including new images and videos
<p>Module 7: Metabolic and Nutritional Support</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Glucose Homeostasis <p>Module 8: Renal and Endocrine Disorders</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Renal Anatomy 2. Renal Assessment 3. Disorders Affecting the Renal System 4. Congenital Anomalies of the Kidney and Urinary Tract 	<p>Module 9: The Renal and Endocrine Systems</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Renal System 2. The Endocrine System 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Includes glucose homeostasis content that was previously in Module 7: Metabolic and Nutritional Support

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Renal Vein Thrombosis 6. Genitourinary Conditions 7. Disorders Affecting the Endocrine System 8. Disorders of Sex Development (DSD) 		
<p>Module 9: Hematology and Immunology</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Blood Cell Production 2. Hematologic Disorders 3. Coagulopathy 4. Immunologic System 5. Hyperbilirubinemia 	<p>Module 10: Hematology and Immunology</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Hematology and Coagulopathy 2. The Immunologic System 3. Hyperbilirubinemia 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No major updates
<p>Module 10: The Neurologic System</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Neurologic System 2. Neurologic Disorders 3. Hypoxic Ischemic Encephalopathy 	<p>Module 11: The Neurologic System</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Neurologic System 2. Neurologic Disorders 3. Hypoxic Ischemic Encephalopathy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No major updates
<p>Module 12: Newborn Skin and Skin Care</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Anatomy of the Skin 2. Skin Lesions 3. Skin Care 4. Skin Injury 5. Parent Teaching 	<p>Module 12: Newborn Skin and Skin Care</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Anatomy of the skin 2. Skin Conditions 3. Skin Care 4. Skin Injury 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated to reflect changes to the AWHONN skin guidelines, which will be officially released in early 2026
<p>Module 14: Neonatal Procedures</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Neonatal Procedures: Considerations 2. Common Noninvasive Procedures 3. Common Invasive Procedures 4. X-Rays 	<p>Module 13: Neonatal Procedures</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Neonatal Procedures: Considerations 2. Common Procedures 3. X-Rays 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No major updates

Module 1: Families in Crisis 5. Perinatal Loss	Module 14: Neonatal Loss 1. Understanding Grief and Loss 2. Trauma-Informed Bereavement Care in the NICU 3. Nursing Interventions for NICU Bereavement 4. Nurse Resilience and Self-Care	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New module with expanded content.
Module 15: Developmental Care and Management of Pain and Stress 4. Special Considerations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Palliative Care 		