

# **Early Ventilator Support in Extremely Low Gestation Neonates**

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The estimated time for completion of this Internet Enduring Material is 65 minutes.

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This presentation is intended for physicians, advanced practice providers, and other clinicians practicing within the Neonatology specialty.

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#### Overview

With more recent improvements in the survival of extremely preterm infants in the 22-25 weeks range, the optimal approaches to initial respiratory support will be reviewed to minimize gaps that may exist in current knowledge or existing practice.

## **Objectives**

At the conclusion of this activity, the participant will be able to:

- Describe the basic aspects of lung development at 22-25 weeks and the impact of potentially toxic insults in the ex-utero environment.
- Discuss the unique operative features of high-frequency and conventional ventilators and how they
  optimize early lung inflation.
- Identify deficiencies in evidence from past trials regarding optimal approaches to early ventilator care in the most immature infants.

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- Patient Care & Procedural Skills
- Medical Knowledge
- Practice-Based Learning and Improvement

#### **IOM Competencies**

- Provide patient-centered care
- Employ evidence-based practice

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