

Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome What happens next?

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Neonatal abstinence syndrome (NAS) is a complex syndrome of withdrawal occurring in newborn infants that is caused by intra-uterine exposure to maternal drugs of addiction. It was first recognized to be caused by opioids and without treatment, has an astoundingly high mortality and morbidity

rate. With prompt recognition and treatment, most babies with NAS survive however their outcomes are concerning. There is increasing data to show that children with a history of NAS are at higher risk than other children for rehospitalisation during childhood, death and even school failure. This is especially pertinent as the rates of NAS have increased to epidemic proportions around the world and thousands of children with a history of NAS are now at risk of problems that could lead to considerable adult disadvantage.

This presentation will provide information on;
⇒ the history, assessment and treatment of NAS
⇒ the impact of drugs of addiction on neurodevelopment and long-term outcomes to adulthood

