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Pediatric Rehabilitation Integration in Acute Care: Navigating Storms, Tones, and Beyond – A Comprehensive Approach to Early Rehab Management, Counseling, Education, and Prognostication by Pediatric Physiatrists

Topic: Specific Target Groups (Children, Women, Elderly, Athletes, Musicians, Refugees, Ethnic Groups, Workers, and Others)

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BACKGROUND

Early introduction to pediatric rehab strategies in acute care is crucial for several reasons. Firstly, it allows for prompt identification and management of medical complications, enhancing the overall quality of care and potentially preventing further complications. Additionally, early engagement with rehabilitation specialists facilitates a comprehensive and coordinated approach, ensuring that the diverse needs of pediatric patients are addressed holistically. The session aims to fill practice and knowledge gaps by providing evidence update and practical insights into managing complications, fostering collaboration between healthcare professionals, enhanced provider satisfaction with new practice developments and gaining recognition of the specialty, better engagement for family centered care and emphasizing the critical role of early mobility and counseling in pediatric rehabilitation within acute care settings. This approach aims to bridge the existing gaps and contribute to improved patient outcomes and family satisfaction.

The poster discussion focuses on the integration of pediatric rehabilitation in acute care, covering a few main subtopics. The early management of medical complications, such as increased tone, agitation, storming, bowel and bladder issues, and disorders of consciousness, is explored in-depth with a multidisciplinary approach. Emphasis is placed on highlighting the collaborative role of rehabilitation specialists in addressing the unique needs of pediatric patients. The significance of early mobility, involving Physical Therapy (PT), Occupational Therapy (OT), and Speech-Language Pathology (SLP), is underscored to optimize recovery outcomes. Finally, the importance of early education and setting realistic expectations through effective communication with families and care teams is explored through emphasis on pediatric physiatrists' role in acute care.

CONCLUSION

Early pediatric rehab in acute care can improve outcomes by managing complications, fostering collaboration, and prioritizing early mobility and family education. This leads to enhanced care quality and patient satisfaction

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