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**Tiny Baby Lecture Series**  
***Series 5: Sepsis and CLABSI, Cardiac & Hematology***

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**Commercial Support** – No commercial support is provided for this educational activity.

**Purpose** – This educational activity will formalize consistent practice among healthcare providers in the NICU on specific issues surrounding the evidence-based management of the less than 1500 gram infant.

**Learning Outcome** – Participants will learn how to improve outcomes by 1) improving interprofessional team-oriented communication through the use of the Risk Benefit Assessment approach, and 2) improving consistency in practice by reviewing and addressing current protocols with current evidence-based literature.

**IOM Competencies** – This educational activity will address 1) Provide patient centered care; 2) Work in interdisciplinary teamwork; 3) Employ Evidence-based practice; and 4) Apply quality improvement.

**Objectives** – At the conclusion of the activity participants will be able to 1) Define colony forming units and their effect on blood culture effectiveness; 2) Review central line use and removal national guidelines; 3) Review path to zero checklists; 4) State 2 reasons that less or more focused use of antibiotics results in less sepsis and lower virulence of organisms; 5) Calculate cc/kg/hour of UOP and identify normal versus abnormal; 6) Interpret practice B/P guidelines and when to notify Neonatologist/Nurse Practitioner; 7) Identify which pressor most effective for underlying cause; 8) Discuss outcomes in infant with PDA medication/ligation management versus conservative medical management; 9) Identify patients that may need ligation/coil/or medical management; 10) State 3 differences in preterm and term protocols for bilirubin management; 11) Define how phototherapy effects bilirubin; 12) Identify 3 common causes of elevated direct bilirubin levels; 13) Interpret practice guidelines for transfusions and indicate feeding or NPO; 14) Discuss 2 implications of elevated reticulocyte count; and 15) State 2 reasons to limit platelet transfusions.

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