

EPIDERMOLYSIS BULLOSA COURSE 2025



Thursday 20-Friday 21 November 2025

Day 1 - Thursday 20 November

9:00-9:30	Registration	
9:30-9:35	Welcome	Kati Paalosalo-Harris , Epidermolysis Bullosa Clinical Nurse Specialist, Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust (GSTT) & Janet Hanson , Clinical Nurse Specialist – EB, Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children NHS Foundation Trust (GOSH)
Session 1		
9:35-10:05	An introduction to EB	Prof Jemma Mellerio , Chief of Dermatology/Consultant Dermatologist, GSTT
10:05-10:30	Family planning, pregnancy and childbirth in EB	Charlotte Raines , Epidermolysis Bullosa Clinical Nurse Specialist, GSTT
10:30-11:15	Care of the newborn and wound management in EB	Finola Sheehan , Clinical Nurse Specialist – EB, GOSH & Annette Downe , Epidermolysis Bullosa Clinical Nurse Specialist, GSTT
11:15-11:45	Break	Meet charities/sponsors
Session 2		
11:45-12:15	Cancer in EB	Prof Jemma Mellerio , Chief of Dermatology/Consultant Dermatologist, GSTT
12:15-12:45	Psychology in EB	Jan-Sher Bhatti , Principal Clinical Psychologist, GOSH & Faiben Yemane , Senior Clinical Psychologist, GOSH
12:45-13:30	Lunch break	
Session 3		
13:30-14:00	The four stages of RDEB and endocrine involvement	Dr Anna Martinez , Consultant Dermatologist, GOSH

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14:00-14:45	Nutritional aspects and dietetic management in EB	Natalie Yerlett, Head of Dietetics, GOSH & Marie Fitzpatrick, EB dietitian, GSTT
14:45-14:55	Break	
Session 4		
14:55-15:40	Understanding EB from the patient's perspective. A series of short films	Introduced by Janet Hanson and Kati Paalosalo-Harris
15:40-16:00	Dentistry and EB – Case studies	Helen Lane, Consultant in special care dentistry, GSTT & Kunal Patel, Consultant (Dentist), GOSH
16:00-16:30	Gastrostomy insertion and management	Mr Joe Curry, Senior Consultant Neonatal and Specialist Paediatric Colorectal Surgeon, GOSH
16:30-17:00	EB and the eye	Ms Susana Morley, Consultant ophthalmologist and oculoplastic surgeon, GSTT
17:00-17:10	Closing remarks	

Day 2 - Friday 21 November

9:00-9:10	Registration	
9:10-9:15	Welcome	Kati Paalosalo-Harris & Janet Hanson
Session 1		
9:15-9:45	Physiotherapy in EB	Anya Delap, Specialist Physiotherapist – Hand Therapy Department, GSTT & Michelle Wood, Clinical Specialist Physiotherapist, GOSH
9:45-10:15	Podiatry in EB	Liza Curtis, Head of Service – Podiatry, GSTT
10:15-10:45	Sexuality and EB	Chris Bloor, Epidermolysis Bullosa Clinical Nurse Specialist, GSTT
10:45-11:15	Break	Meet charities/sponsors
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11:15-11:45	Anaesthetic management in EB	Dr Diana Bareisiene , Consultant Anaesthetist, GSTT
11:45-12:15	Hand surgery in EB	Mr Ricardo Tejero , Specialty Doctor – Plastic and Hand Surgery, GSTT
12:15-12:30	Post operative hand therapy in adults with EB: A case study	Andrea Cudazzo , Senior Specialist Hand Therapist, GSTT
12:30-13:00	Hand therapy in children with EB	Catherine Miller , Occupational Therapist, GOSH
13:00-13:45	Lunch break	
Session 3		
13:45-14:15	Oesophageal dilatation in patients with EB	Rachel Fairfax , Radiographer, GSTT
14:15-14:45	Palliative care in EB	Caroline Mackenzie , Epidermolysis Bullosa Clinical Nurse Specialist, GSTT
14:45-15:15	Symptom control and pain management in EB	Dr Dilini Rajapakse , Consultant (Symptom Care Team), GOSH
15:15-15:30	Break	
Session 4		
15:30-15:45	Short film – A parent's story (Dylan)	Introduced by Janet Hanson
15:45-16:15	Research in EB – what's the future?	Dr Gabriela Petrof , Paediatric Dermatology Consultant, GOSH
16:15-16:30	Closing remarks	Kati Paalosalo-Harris & Janet Hanson

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