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Parental Involvement in Neonatal and Infant Pain Prevention and Management: Evidence, Opportunities and Challenges

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Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

A wealth of knowledge is available on effective and safe strategies for neonatal and infant pain prevention and management, such as skin-to-skin contact, breastfeeding. facilitated tucking, comforting/positioning, solutions, topical anesthetics, and others. Importantly, parents can play an active role in pain management interventions, such as skin-to-skin contact, facilitated tucking and breastfeeding when feasible. However, to support parents in this role, they need knowledge and opportunities to participate in their children's pain management. This Special Issue welcomes original articles focusing on parental involvement in pain prevention and management in neonates and infants. Our goal is to highlight current research on the topic, strategies being implemented in diverse clinical settings, implementation science studies and future directions for research and practice. We anticipate a wide variety of research designs and methodologies and we encourage submissions authored in partnerships with parents and persons with lived experience.



