

# Did you know you can detect children at high risk of cerebral palsy in the first few months of life?

## Prechtl's Method of the Qualitative Assessment of General Movements

### Standard Basic and 1-day Refresher Training – Cairns 2019

The Basic Course provides an introduction into Prechtl's Method on the Qualitative Assessment of General Movements in young infants. This new assessment method has shown its merit for the prenatal and postnatal evaluation of the integrity of the nervous system. Compelling evidence is now available that qualitative assessment of General Movements (GMs) at a very early age is the best predictor for cerebral palsy. This method has become an important supplement to the traditional neurological examination.

The Refresher Course will provide a 1-day additional intensive training in correct judgement. This training will deal with the details of the assessment, the proper terminology and technique as well as with the application of individual developmental trajectories. Participants should bring one case study. To attend the 1-day Refresher Course, participants must have attended and passed the Basic or Advanced GMs course.

**Who should attend?** Medical specialists, neonatologists, physiotherapists, occupational therapists, registered nurses and other professionals in the field of infant health.

The courses fulfil the standards specified by the GM-Trust ([www.general-movements-trust.info](http://www.general-movements-trust.info)).

#### Course Instructor

A/Prof. Andrea Guzzetta, MD, PhD

Andrea is a Child Neuropsychiatrist at Fondazione Stella Maris. Andrea is also the Head of the Stella Maris Infant Lab for Early Intervention (SMILE) and an Associate Professor at the Medical School, University of Pisa (Italy). As an accredited trainer at the GM-Trust, A/Prof. Guzzetta has >150 publications in child neurology focusing on the effects of early brain damage on the development of different functions (motor, visual) and the underlying neuroplastic mechanisms with an overall aim of improving early intervention paradigms.



#### 2019 Dates - Cairns

- **GMs Refresher Course (1 day):** Friday 1st March
- **Standard Basic GMs Training (3.5 days):** Saturday 2nd – Tuesday 5th March

#### Local Organisers:

- Prof. Roslyn Boyd

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#### Registration Fees

Limited number of places available; includes refreshments and lunch.

##### Standard Basic (3.5 days):

- \$1,650 Interstate / International
- \$825 for Queensland Clinicians\*\*

##### Refresher (1 day):

- \$550 Interstate / International
- \$275 for Queensland Clinicians\*\*

\*\*Price for QLD clinicians has been discounted as a 'Reduced-fee Scholarship' due to major funding from the QLD State Government (Advance QLD Innovation Partnership for early detection of CP). [Application available here](#), or please contact [gcprrc@uq.edu.au](mailto:gcprrc@uq.edu.au) for information on accessing the scholarship.

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