

Objectives

- Describe the approach and techniques used for assessment of the very low birth weight neonate
- Differentiate primary from secondary evaluation
- Determine findings associated with life threatening conditions
- Identify the significance of prenatal history and diagnostic testing

Content Outline

1. Introduction
2. NRP and Apgar score
3. Assessment
 - a. Overview
 - b. Approach
 - c. Evaluation
4. Primary Evaluation
 - a. Upper airway
 - b. Breathing and respiratory rate
 - c. Circulation
 - d. Other considerations
5. Secondary Evaluation
 - a. Maternal history
 - b. Neonatal examination
 - c. Abnormalities
6. Diagnostic Tests

Reading Material Resources

Module GH1022: Neonatal Assessment is based on the chapter listed below. A copy is included with the module.

Chapter 10, Golden Hours: Care of the Very Low Birth Weight Neonate, Bissinger, R.L., Annibale, D.J., and Fanning, B.A. The National Certification Corporation (NCC), Chicago, IL 2019.