



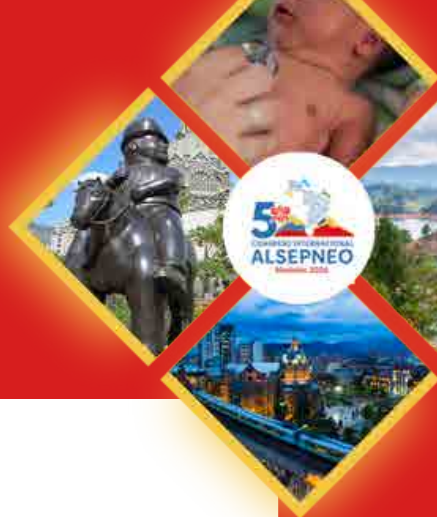
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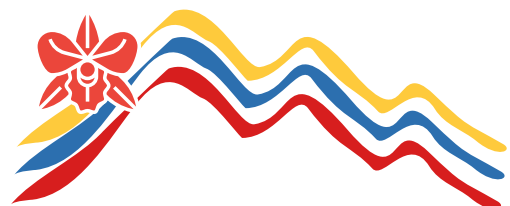
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Welcome

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Colleagues, partners, and friends,
It is an honor to welcome you to Medellín for our 5th
International ALSEPNEO Congress.

From May 20 to 22, 2026, we will celebrate a milestone
for our association: five years of continuous work
strengthening pediatric and neonatal follow-up across
Latin America. This congress is more than an academic
event — it is a collective project, born from the
commitment and collaboration of everyone who is part of
this great community.

Throughout this time, we have built networks across
countries, disciplines, and cultures, always guided by the
same purpose: to improve the quality of life and future for
high-risk children and their families.

Medellín, a city recognized for its innovation, hospitality,
and resilience, will be the perfect setting where science,
commitment, and compassion meet. Its landscapes,
vibrant culture, and the warmth of its people will make this
encounter an experience that goes beyond Academia.

The program has been designed with an interdisciplinary
approach, bringing together renowned speakers, thematic
panels, symposia, and practical workshops. We will also
have a space for free paper presentations, where
research and experience presentations that will inspire
new ideas and practices for our daily work.

I invite you to make the most of every moment, to share
your knowledge, and to continue strengthening this path
we have undertaken — to transform the present and build
the future of our children.

Welcome to Medellín and to the 5th ALSEPNEO Congress!

Angela María Lombo Lievano

Dra. Angela María Lombo Lievano
President, 5th ALSEPNEO Congress





Pre Congress Activities



Requirements

- Registration fee
- Congress registration required
- Limited places
- Only in person attendance



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ADBB Training - Level 2

Jorge Bustamante, MD

May 18–19, 2026 | 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

May 18, 2026

Course Presentation

Theoretical foundations of relational withdrawal: scale, applications and update in international research

Coffee Break

ADBB: explanation of scales and coding methodology

Lunch

ADBB Video 1: “normal” behaviors vs. extreme relational withdrawal.

Coffee Break

ADBB Video 2: Assisted Video Coding

Closing

May 19, 2026

Procedure after detection of socio-emotional withdrawal.

Coffee Break

ADBB Video 3: Assisted coding of videos (ages 2–24 months)

ADBB Examination: Set of 5 videos. A minimum score of 80% correct answers is required to receive the ADBB Level 2 Certification.

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A Life in Motion: Exploring Early Motor and Neuro Development to indentify High Risk for Cerebral Palsy

Álvaro Hidalgo-Robles PhD, Ivonne Reyes PhD

May 18, 2026 | 8am to 12pm

Early Detection in High-, Middle-, and Low-Resource Countries: What Challenges Lie Ahead?

From Evidence to Clinical Reality: International Experiences, Barriers, and Facilitators with a Focus on Latin America

What Do We Know About the Motor Repertoire of Infants with Typical Development and Those at High Risk for Neurological Conditions?

Exploring the Hammersmith Assessments (Hammersmith Neonatal Neurological Examination & Hammersmith Infant Neurological Examination)

Practical Activity

Closure of the activity



ÁLVARO HIDALGO-ROBLES
Professor



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Professor





Workshop: Accompany, Care, and Coordinate — Patient Navigation in Neonatal and Pediatric High-Risk Follow-Up Programs

Alexandra Jiménez Luna PhD, Jovita Plascencia PhD
May 18, 2026 | 1pm to 5pm

Conceptual Introduction

Origin of Patient Navigation

Scientific Evidence on Its Benefits (Based on Recent Studies)

Applicability in Pediatrics and Neonatology

Case Study

Presentation of a Clinical Case: A Newborn in High-Risk Follow-Up

Group Analysis of Coordination, Adherence, and Communication Challenges

Guided Discussion on Intervention Opportunities for the Navigator

Group Work

Designing Navigation Pathways Adapted to Different Contexts (e.g., Asphyxia, Extreme Prematurity, Congenital Anomalies)

Identification of Local Barriers and Proposal of Solutions

Plenary Session and Conclusions

Presentation of Group Results

Discussion on Applicability in Latin America

Development of a Ten-Point Chart for Navigation in Neonatal and Pediatric Follow-Up Programs



ALEXANDRA JIMÉNEZ LUNA
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Workshop: Kangaroo Mother Care

Summit: From Medellín to All of Latin America

Ángela Lombo MD, Nathalie Charpak MD

May 19, 2026 | 8am to 12pm

National Vision of Kangaroo Mother Care (KMC): Where We Are and Where We Are Headed

Presentation of the new national mapping of outpatient KMC programs and neonatal units; progress, gaps, and strategies for regional coordination.

KMC as a Nutritional Protector in the Preterm and Low Birth Weight Infant: Controversies and Strategies with Fortifiers

Risk factors for in-hospital malnutrition, debate on fortification, and alternative strategies in preterm infant care.

From Policy to Action: How to Expand KMC Nationwide

National dissemination strategies, key stakeholders, and available tools.

Measuring What Matters: Quality Indicators in KMC and Data Tools for Decision-Making

Presentation of data collection instruments, applicable indicators, and a proposal toward a national unification of high-risk infant evaluation.



NATHALIE CHARPARK
Professor



ÁNGELA LOMBO
Professor





Theoretical–Practical Workshop on the Kangaroo Mother Care Method

Ángela Lombo MD, René Barrera MD, Julietha Castro MD, Martha Cristo PhD, Alexandra Jiménez Luna PhD

May 19, 2026 1pm | 5pm

Simulation Area, Pontifical Bolivarian University – Medellín, Colombia

Objective:

To strengthen the knowledge and practical skills of healthcare professionals from Latin America in the implementation of the Kangaroo Mother Care (KMC) Method, in accordance with the WHO 2022 guidelines, from birth through hospital and outpatient phases.

Methodology:

Practical stations with participant rotation, clinical case analysis, and use of simulators. Interactive activities with QR codes, videos, and educational materials. Participatory closing session using a word cloud.

Station 1: Delivery Room. René Barrera MD

Station 2: Kangaroo Position and In-Hospital Nutrition. Alexandra Jiménez Luna PhD

Station 3: Kangaroo Follow-Up. Ángela Lombo MD, Martha Cristo PhD

Station 4: Challenges of Outpatient Breastfeeding. Julieta Castro MD



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07.50am Opening Ceremony

08.00am to 09.00am Opening conference

Who Takes Care of Dad? Paternal Perinatal Health in the Family Context and Its Impact on Child Development

Sergio Golombek MD

Moderators Martha Cristo PhD, Mónica Morgues MD, Mr. Juan Pablo Bernal

09.00am to 10.00am Roundtable

Genetic and Metabolic Newborn Screening

Prenatal and Postnatal Screening for Genetic and Metabolic Disorders.

Prenatal and Postnatal Screening for Infectious Diseases. Dolores Lovera MD

Moderators César Sánchez MD, Sandra Navarro MD

10.00am to 10.30am Coffee Break

10.30am to 11.30am RoundTable

Caring for Motor Development from the NICU to Follow-Up

Speakers Álvaro Hidalgo-Robles PhD, Ivonne Reyes PhD, Luz Baquero PhD

Moderators Andrea Solano PhD, Perla Dubon MD

11.30am to 12.30pm Conference

The importance of dietary fatty acids for brain development in high-risk infants

Nicholas Embleton MD

Moderators Adriana Nieto Sanjuanero MD, Ana Lucía Diez Recinos MD





12.45pm to 01.30pm Symposium

ROOM A 12.45pm to 1.30pm	Room B 12.45pm to 1.30pm	Room C 12.45pm to 1.30pm
Space Reserved for Industry	Space Reserved for Industry	Space Reserved for Industry

1.30pm to 2.00pm Coffee Break

2.00pm to 3.00pm Roundtable

Hypoxic-Ischemic Encephalopathy
Speakers César Sánchez MD, Andrea Paez PhD, Richard Baquero MD
Moderators Richard Baquero MD, Carolina Serrano MD

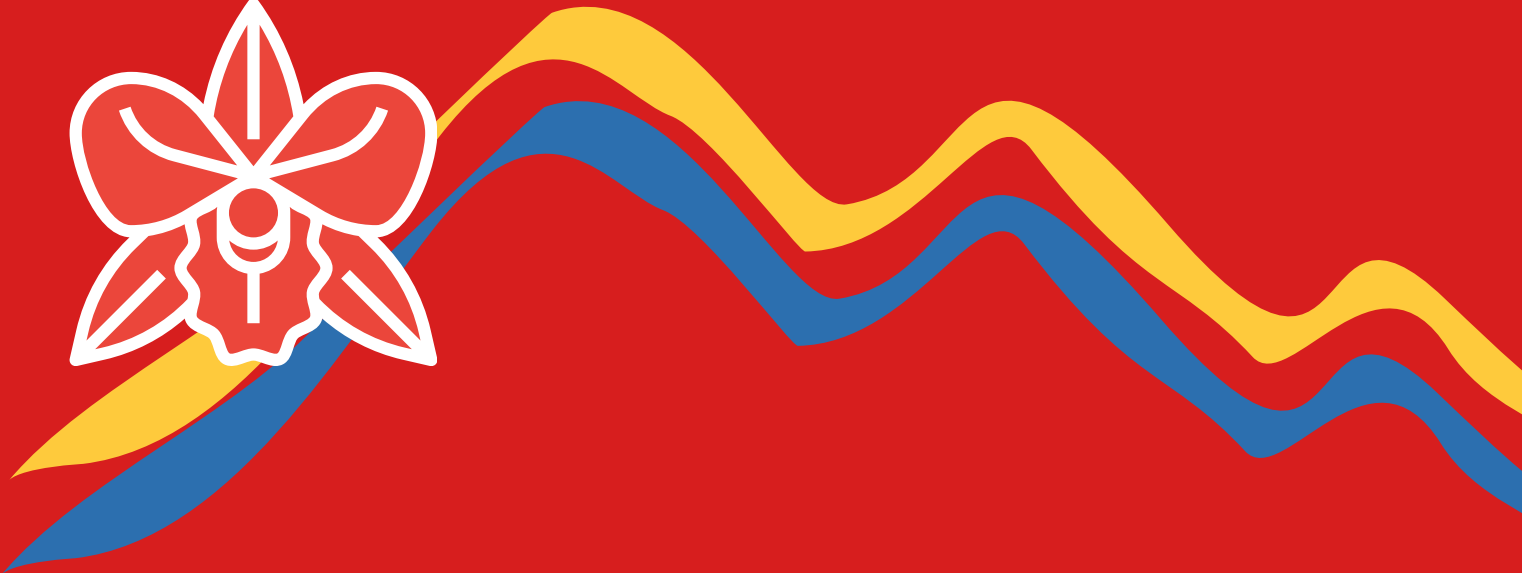
3.00pm a 4.00pm Conferencia

Nutritional Interventions in Extremely Preterm Infants to Improve Neurodevelopmental outcomes
Waldemar Carlo MD
Moderators Jovita Plascencia PhD, Sandra Navarro MD



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07.00am to 08.00am Abstracts Presentation Session

Moderators Dra. Ángela Lombo, Dr. René Barrera

08.00am to 09.00 am Roundtable

Immunizations in Latin America: Successful Schedules and Programs

Confidence and Safety in Immunizations. Fernando Burgos MD

Successful Strategies: Experience with Nirsevimab Implementation in Paraguay. Celia Martinez MD

Strategies to Expand Coverage and Protection in High-Risk Newborns. Claudia Beltrán MD

Moderators Lidia Giúdice MD, Alejandro Maccarrone MD

09.00am to 10.00 am Colloquium

The Future of Infants with Birth Weight <1000 Grams in Low-Resource Settings

Sergio Golombek MD, Waldemar Carlo MD

Moderators María Josefa Castro MD, René Barrera MD

10.00am to 10.30am Coffee Break

10.30am to 11.30am Roundtable

Severe Social Vulnerability in Latin America: Possible Approaches

Follow-Up Strategies for the High-Risk Newborn. Iliana Curiel Arismendi MD

Preterm Infants in Primary Care: Experience and Challenges in the State of Acre, Brazil. Janilda Moraes PhD

Moderators Luis Carlos Ochoa MD, Ángela Lombo MD

11.30am to 12.30pm Conference

Immediate Skin-to-Skin Contact in Very Preterm Newborns

Stina Klemming MD

Moderators Catalina Lince MD, Alexandra Jiménez Luna PhD





12.45pm to 1.30pm Symposium

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1.30pm to 2.00pm Coffee Break

2.00pm to 3.00 pm Roundtable

Kidney Monitoring in Non-Preterm Children

Kidney Follow-Up: Beyond Prematurity. Ricardo Guerrero MD, Pahola Atehortúa Baena MD

Breastfeeding as a Nephroprotective Measure. Jovita Plascencia PhD

Moderators Pahola Atehortúa Baena MD, Richard Baquero MD

3.00pm to 4.00pm Conference

Communication with Families in the NICU

Sergio Golombek MD

Moderators Florángel García MD, Carmen Vecchiarelli MD



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07.00am to 08.00am Abstracts Presentation Session

Moderators Alejandro Maccarrone MD, Lidia Giúdice MD

08.00am to 09.00 am Roundtable

Hearing and Follow-Up

Access to Cochlear Implants and Auditory Implementation. Felipe Retamal Walter PhD

Interventions to Improve Language Development. Irma Carvajalino PhD

Moderators Gloria Lombana PhD, Carol Hansen Moreno PhD

09.00am to 10.00am Conference

Zero Separation and Dyad Care: Lessons Learned from the Nordic Countries

Stina Klemming MD

Moderators María Josefa Castro MD, Nathalie Charpark MD

10.00am to 10.30am Coffee Break

10.30am to 11.30am Roundtable

ALSEPNEO Follow-Up Data Registry: Strategies to Reduce Dropout

Speakers Mónica Morgues MD, María Victoria Rizzo MD, Sergio Conzolino MD

Moderators Mónica Morgues MD, María Victoria Rizzo MD

11.30am to 12.30pm Conference

Long term impacts on the infant and family following necrotising enterocolitis

Nicholas Embleton MD

Moderators Julietha Castro MD, Gabriela Bertani MD



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12.45pm a 1.30pm Symposium

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1.30pm to 2.00pm Coffee Break

2.00pm to 3.00pm Roundtable

Learning in Children with Sensory Impairments

Exploring the Question of Inclusive Education: Children with Visual Impairment and and Learning. Prof. Gabriela Rovezzi

Learning in Children with Hearing Loss. Irma Carvajalino PhD

Moderators Marta Ferrero PhD, Ingrid Klenner PhD

3.00pm to 04.00 pm Conference

Neonatal Interventions to Reduce Acute and Long-Term Respiratory Problems.

Waldemar Carlo MD

Moderators Ranniery Acuña MD, Patricia Fernandez MD

4.00pm to 5.00pm Roundtable

Cardio- circulatory Follow-up from newborn tu adulthood.

The Preterm Heart and Its Long-Term Implications. Alejandro Maccarrone MD

Congenital Heart Diseases Alfonso de Jesús Martínez MD

The Newborn with Congenital Heart Disease and the Premature Infant's Heart in the Transition to Adulthood.

Bernardo Lombo MD

Moderators Ángela Lombo MD, Edgardo Capoulat MD

5.00pm to 6.00pm Closing Conference

Vaccination Strategies in Pregnant Women: A strategy for Early Childhood Protection

Ingrid Lizama MD

Moderators María Josefa Castro MD, Ana Lucía Díez MD

6.00pm ALSEPNEO Awards Ceremony - Closing Ceremony





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WorkShop

Latin America's Strengths in the Care and Follow-Up of Preterm and High-Risk Children: The Voice of Families



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