Family physician reporting of suspected child maltreatment in Hamilton: a survey based study

**Presenter:** Dr. Melanie Tannenbaum PGY2

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**Summary:** Physicians play an important role in the recognition and reporting of child abuse. In particular, primary care physicians often are the first professionals to encounter a child who may have been abused. Prior research suggests that primary care physicians do not report all cases of suspected child maltreatment to child protective services for various reasons, including lack of education, prior negative experience with children’s protective services, and fear. The aim of this study is to determine the comfort level of Hamilton-based family physicians in recognizing and reporting suspected child maltreatment.

**Presentation Goals:**
- Seek feedback on survey design

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Neonatal Outcomes in Inadequate Prenatal Care

**Presenter:** Dr. Ranu Malhi, PGY2

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**Summary:** Inadequate prenatal care has been associated with poor neonatal outcomes, however there is a lack of Hamilton-specific data on the prevalence, maternal risk factors and outcomes for neonates. We are conducting a retrospective chart review to determine socioeconomic characteristics of women with inadequate PNC and how neonate outcomes compare to those that receive adequate PNC.

**Presentation Goals:**
- Review rationale, provide summary of progress to date and future directions
- Gain feedback on data collection and analysis

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All faculty, research staff, allied health staff, and trainees are welcome to attend.

*These are interactive sessions - we want to hear your feedback, questions and great ideas!*

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