Neonatal Critical Congenital Heart Disease screening

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Objectives

- Review of the fetal and neonatal circulation
- Overview of critical congenital heart diseases [CCHD]
- Review of CCHD outcomes
- Screening for CCHD
- Screening for CCHD with pulse oximetry

Cardiovascular system



One-way direction of blood flow

Fetal circulation





Placenta: gas and nutrient exchange Parallel pulmonary and systemic circulations Fetal shunts: atrial, ductal, hepatic

Neonatal circulation



Removal of the placenta Closure of fetal shunts: atrial, ductal, hepatic Establishment of one-way direction of blood flow

Cardiac embryology

Critical periods of development for various organ systems and the resultant malformations



Cardiac embryology

- Fusion
- Bending
- Rotation
- Looping
- Partitioning
- Shunts



Risk for Congenital Heart Disease (CHD)

- 8 out of 1000 babies have CHD
- Most are mild

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- 2/1000 are critical
- Higher risk for CHD, if a family member w/ CHD
- Recurrence risk in the family 2-15%
- More than 2 million Americans with CHD
 - ~5,000 infants born each year with CHD in US
- Leading cause of death in 1st year of life

Causes of CHD

- Unknown
- Genetic syndrome: eg. Trisomy 21, 18, 13
- Single gene defects
- Maternal illness: Diabetes, SLE, obesity, PKU
- Environmental exposure:

Infections: Rubella Enterovirus Alcohol Drugs: Thalidomide Anti-acne meds Valproic acid Lithium

Congenital heart disease

A heart abnormality that is present from birth

Structural defects

Hypoplasia
Obstruction
Septal defects
Complex anatomy

Functional defects

- > Infections
- Metabolic cardiomyopathy
- > Arrhythmias

Critical Congenital Heart Disease (CCHD)

An abnormality in the structure or function of the heart

- that exists at birth,
- causes severe life-threatening symptoms,
- and requires medical intervention within the first few hours, days or months of life

CCHD pathology

• Hypoplasia:

Hypoplastic left ventricle Single ventricle

Obstruction:

Pulmonary atresia with intact septum Tricuspid atresia Pulmonary stenosis Aortic arch atresia, hypoplasia or interruption Coarctation of Aorta

• Septal defects:

Atrial septal defect Ventricular septal defect Atrioventricular septal defect

Complex anatomy:

y: Tetralogy of Fallot Total Anomalous Pulmonary Venous Return Transposition of great arteries Truncus arteriosus communis Double outlet right ventricle Ebstein's anomaly



CCHD pathophysiology

Shock, if the ductus closes

Ductal-dependent pulmonary circulation:

- ➢ eg. Pulmonary atresia, TOF
- Severe hypoxia, if the ductus closes

Complex pathophysiology

- ➢ eg. TAPVR, truncus, TGA
- Combination of cardio-respiratory insufficiency, if the ductus closes

CCHD pathophysiology

Interrupted aortic arch



Pulmonary atresia



TAPVR



Presentation of CHD

- CCHD patients can look healthy at birth
- Within hours or days after birth they can have serious complications and even die

 Some patients will be asymptomatic for months or years



Symptoms of CHD

- Cyanosis or mild hypoxia
- Low blood pressure
- Breathing difficulty or tachypnea at rest
- Feeding difficulty
- Poor growth
- Sleepiness or irritability
- Sweating
- Murmur on exam
- Sudden death: 1/3 of first year cardiac deaths

Outcomes of CHD

85% of children diagnosed with CHD will survive into adulthood

Survival rates vary by disease complexity:

CHD complexity	CHD examples	Long-term survival [>20 years]
Simple	ASD, VSD, valve d/o	95%
Moderate	CoA, AVC, TOF	90%
Great	Truncus, TGA, single ventricle	80%
Specific complex disorders	HLHS	60-70%



Neurodevelopmental delay in CHD

The prevalence and severity of NDD increases with the complexity of CHD



Complexity of Congenital Heart Disease

NDD in the areas of intelligence, language, attention, motor skills, visual processing, executive function and psychosocial adjustment

Marino BS et al. Circulation 2012; 126: 1143-1172

Determinants of outcome of fetal cardiac disease

Late detection or lack of diagnosis

Closure of the ductus arteriosus and physiologic increase of the pulmonary vascular resistance

Cardiogenic shock, multiorgan failure and hypoxic ischemic brain injury

> Morbidity Neurodevelopmental delay Death

Donofrio MT et al. J Am Soc Echocardiogr 2015; 28(11): 1339-1349 Donofrio MT et al. Circulation 2014; 129: 2183-2242



Improved outcome of fetal cardiac disease

Early detection and risk stratification

Delivery at an appropriate birthing center

Early disease-specific treatment

Multidisciplinary medical care

Social support

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Critical CHD screening

- CCHD screening of the fetus
- CCHD screening of the high risk fetus
- CCHD screening of the ill newborn
- CCHD screening of the well newborn

Fetal echocardiography

Specificity nearly 100% Fetal CHD diagnosis is usually accurate

Sensitivity of the basic ECHO views 49%

Sensitivity of the advanced ECHO protocols and of the 3rd trimester screening can be up to 85%

Fetal ECHO may miss up to 50% of CHD

Zhang YF et al. Medicine 2015; 94(42): e1759



Fetuses at high risk for CHD

- Maternal diabetes mellitus
- Phenylketonuria
- Family history of CHD
- Maternal infections
- Maternal Lupus and Connective tissue d/o
- Teratogen exposure
- Assisted reproductive technology
- Known or suspected chromosomal abnormality
- Monochorionic twins
- Hydrops fetalis
- Arrhythmias

Work up and diagnosis of CCHD in the ill neonate

- Clinical exam
- Blood pressure
- Pulse oximetry
- Electrocardiogram
- Chest radiograph
- Hyperoxia test
- Echocardiography
- Cardiac catheterization
- Genetic and other testing

CCHD screening: the evidence

Case-control study of pulse oximetry measurements

- 2,876 healthy newborns
- 32 newborns with CHD

Hoke TR et al. Pediatr Cardiol 2002; 23: 403-409

CCHD screening: the evidence

Meta-analysis of pulse oximetry screening for CCHD in asymptomatic newborns:

- 13 studies included (12 cohort & 1 case-control studies)
- 229,421 newborns
- Sensitivity 76.5%
- Specificity 99.9%
- False positive rate 0.14%
- The false positive rate was lower, if the screen was conducted at >24hours of life

Thangaratinam S et al. Lancet 2012; 379: 2459-2464

Pulse oximetry screening

- Easy
- Rapid
- Non-invasive
- Indirect measure of blood oxygen saturation
- Targets the primary CCHD
- May detect the secondary CCHD

Texas Pulse Oximetry Project

Primary screening targets

Hypoplasia:

Hypoplastic left ventricle

Obstruction:

Pulmonary atresia with intact septum Tricuspid atresia

Tetralogy of Fallot Total Anomalous Pulmonary Venous Return Transposition of great arteries Truncus arteriosus communis

Secondary screening targets

Hypoplasia: Single ventricle defect

Obstruction:

Pulmonary stenosis/atresia Aortic arch atresia/hypoplasia Interrupted aortic arch Coarctation of Aorta

Septal defects: Atrial septal defect Ventricular septal defect Atrioventricular septal defect

Complex:

Double outlet right ventricle Ebstein's anomaly

Cost-effectiveness of CCHD screening

Texas Pulse Oximetry Project:

• The CCHD screening is cost-effective, with a cost estimated at \$3-6 per asymptomatic newborn screened

Peterson 2014:

- The average cost of screening per newborn was \$13.50 in the US [\$6.68 cost of labor+ \$6.83 in equipment]
- The incremental cost for detecting one of 1,189 estimated newly diagnosed newborns with CCHD per year was \$20,862
- The favorable cost-effectiveness estimate of averting up to 20 infant deaths per year was \$42,385 per life-year gained

Texas Pulse Oximetry Project
Peterson C et al. Public Health Rep 2014; 129:86-93

Pulse oximetry screening

Oakley 2015:

- 6329 babies had post-ductal pulse-oximetry
- 14 had abnormal screen
 - ➤ 7/14 had CCHD
 - > 3/14 had non-critical CHD
 - > 4 had undiagnosed respiratory illness or sepsis

Jawin 2015:

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- 5247 babies had post-ductal pulse-oximetry
 - 15 had abnormal screen
 - > 2/15 had CCHD
 - > 2/15 had sepsis
 - > 11/15 had undiagnosed respiratory illness

All babies with low saturations had identifiable pathology

Oakley JL et al. J Matern Fetal Neonatal Med 2015; 28(14): 1736-1739
Jawin V et al. PLoS One 2015; 10(9); e0137580

Screening recommendations

- US Health and Human Services Secretary's Advisory Committee on Heritable Disorders in Newborns and Children recommended in 2010 that CCHD screening be added to newborn screening panel
- The recommendation was endorsed in 2011 by the Secretary of Health Kathleen Sibelius

ALL STATES SHOULD SCREEN NEWBORNS FOR CRITICAL CONGENITAL HEART DISEASE (CCHD)

Babies should be screened 24 hours after birth but before they leave the hospital.

CCHD can be added to state newborn screening requirements by legislation, regulation, or adoption as a standard of practice.

American Academy of Pediatrics

Newborn CCHD Screening Progress

Click on a state for additional details.

Critical CHD screening in Texas

- House Bill 740, 2013 added CCHD to the required Texas newborn screening panel
- The Texas Department of State Health Services developed the Texas Administrative Code rules for CCHD [Title 25, Chapter 37]

 Screening for CCHD of all newborns at a birthing facility, before they become symptomatic, is mandatory in Texas since September 1st, 2014

"CCHD toolkit"

- Developed for the Texas Pulse Oximetry Project from UTHSC San Antonio, Baylor College of Medicine and the Texas DSHS
- Educational effort with a goal to facilitate the implementation of the rules for CCHD screening and of the reporting of documented cases of CCHD
 - https://www.dshs.state.tx.us/newborn/cchdtoolkit/
 - Algorithm for screening
 - Documentation
 - Sample policy
 - CCHD reporting form

Texas Pulse Oximetry Project

Critical CHD screening in Texas

- Screening for CCHD with pre- and postductal pulse oximetry measurements to detect mild hypoxemia
- Interpretation of results, according to the most current published AAP screening algorithm
- The pulse oximeter used for the screening should meet the FDA standards

Texas DSHS, Texas administrative code, Title 25, Chapter 37

Critical CHD screening in Texas

- Screening for CCHD with pulse oximetry measurements of the right hand and one foot in parallel or one after the other
- Infant should be calm and awake
- Perform before the discharge from the nursery and after 24hours of age
- If an early discharge is planned, CCHD screening should be done as close to discharge as possible

TXPOP toolkit

Pulse oximetry screening for CCHD

Pre-ductal measurement: **right hand** Post-ductal measurement: **one of the feet**

Critical Congenital Heart Disease Newborn Screening Algorithm

Pulse ox on right hand and foot after 24 hours

Passing scores

- 100% and 100%
- 100% and 97%
- 99% and 96%
- 98% and 95%
- 97% and 94%
- 96% and 93%
- 95% and 92%

Critical Congenital Heart Disease Newborn Screening Algorithm

Virginia Department of Health Mueller CCHD Screening Table

Green = Negative Screen (PASS) Yellow = Rescreen in 1 hour Yellow for 3 consecutive screens = Positive Screen (FAIL) * Red = Automatic Positive Screen (FAIL)

Right												
Hand	Foot									<90		
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94	100	99	98	97	96	95	94	93	92	91	90	
93	100	99	98	97	96	95	94	93	92	91	90	*
92	100	99	98	97	96	95	94	93	92	91	90	*
91	100	99	98	97	96	95	94	93	92	91	90	•
90	100	99	98	97	96	95	94	93	92	91	90	•
<90	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*		<90

Created by Cynthia Mueller BSN, RN - Anne Arundel Medical Center

Screen all babies after 24 hours, before discharge.

The next steps for a failed screen

- Pulmonary evaluation
- Infectious etiology evaluation
- ECHO
- Referral to a Pediatric Cardiologist

Critical Congenital Heart Disease Newborn Screening Algorithm

Reporting of confirmed CCHD cases

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All confirmed cases of CCHD need to be reported to the DSHS via the CCHD Reporting Form

CCHD Program

Mail: DSHS Newborn Screening Genetics Branch PO Box 149347, MC 1918 Austin, Texas 78714-9347 Fax: CCHD Program

: CCHD Program (512) 776-7593

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Diagnosis Timeframe (choose only one):

□ Prenatal diagnosis If prenatally diagnosed, did prenatal and post-natal diagnosis match? □Yes □No					
If no what was the prenatal diagnosis?					
Post-natal diagnosis prior to pulse oximeter screening	ng				
Post-natal diagnosis with pulse oximeter screening					
Post-natal diagnosis after a normal pulse oximeter s	creening				
Was post-natal echocardiogram performed?	No				
Delivery Outcome: 🗆 Live Birth 🗆 Non-live birth					
Freatment Provided: Cardiac surgery Medical management Supportive care					
Baby Status: 🗆 Baby Living 🗆 Baby Expired					
nfant was transported: □Yes □No f yes indicate for what purpose(s) □ Evaluation □ Treatment					
nfant has:] Isolated heart disease] Multiple anomalies] Syndrome/chromosomal anomaly diagnosed					
Printed name of person completing report	Title				
Signature of person completing report	Date sent				
Fax signed form to 512-776-7593 Atte	ention: CCHD Scree	ning			

Exemption from CCHD screen

- Parent declines screening
- Previously diagnosed newborn with CCHD
- Newborn has had a post-natal ECHO
- Newborn was discharged from birthing facility by 10 hours of life with referral to another birthing center, physician or healthcare provider
- Newborn was transferred to another facility before the screening

Texas DSHS, Texas administrative code, Title 25, Chapter 37

Medical, Social & Financial impact of CHD

 CHD is a "lifelong" condition: even patients with "repaired" CHD, will need lifelong highly specialized care

Associated conditions:

- Congestive heart failure
- Pulmonary hypertension
- Arrhythmias
- Endocarditis
- Developmental delay
- Prolonged & repeated hospitalizations
- Long follow up and treatment
- Extensive financial resources
- Emotional and financial strain for the family

Screening and timely diagnosis of CCHD means decreased morbidity and mortality

Thank you!

