

The Programme for Global Paediatric Research

May 5 & 6, 2008
Hawaii Convention Center and
Hilton Hawaiian Village Hotel

About the Programme for Global Paediatric Research

The Programme for Global Paediatric Research (PGPR) includes paediatric researchers, societies, and other organizations committed to child health. It was formed in January 2004 to address the disparity between the scientific research resources available in high-income countries and the quantity of scientific research focused on the health of children in mid- and low-income countries. PGPR works at the centre of a global network to inform, educate and facilitate international research cooperation and collaboration, and acts as an advocate for research to improve the health of all children. PGPR's three-part symposium on May 5 will focus on the effect of armed conflict on the health and development of infants and children. Parts 1 and 3 will be comprised of expert presentations providing an overview of the topic. Part 2 will feature platform presentations from selected abstracts. At the related PGPR workshop on May 6 colleagues from high-, mid-, and low-income countries will meet in order to discuss next steps for research into the effect of armed conflict on the health and development of infants and children.

Registration Information

A registration fee set by the PAS is required to attend any PAS activities, including the PGPR Symposium. Registration can be completed in advance—refer to page 79 of this guide for details. Attendees may also register onsite at the Hawaii Convention Center. If you wish to attend the workshop on May 6th, and/or require further information, please contact:

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Education Credit**
is through the PAS.
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complete information.

Monday, May 5

10:15am–12:15pm

5335 The Effect of Armed Conflict on the Health and Development of Infants and Children (Part I)

PGPR Symposium

Chairs: Alvin Zipursky, The Programme for Global Paediatric Research, The Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, Ontario, Canada; and Zulfiqar Bhutta, The Aga Khan University, Karachi, Pakistan

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Target Audience: All those interested in diseases and development of children during and after armed conflict and in parallel issues being faced in other situations should attend this symposium.

- Overview of Health Problems Faced by Infants and Children During and After Armed Conflict
- Growing Up in War Zones: Impact of Violence and Displacement on Child Development
- Public Health & The Human Cost of War
- Death and Disability Resulting From War in Northern Uganda

1:00pm–3:00pm

5507 The Effect of Armed Conflict on the Health and Development of Infants and Children (Part II)

PAS/PGPR Platform Session

3:15pm–5:15pm

5773 The Effect of Armed Conflict on the Health and Development of Infants and Children (Part III)

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- The Professionalization of Humanitarian Assistance and Its Implications for Child Health
- The Distribution, Determinants, and Changing Character of Violence in Crises Around the World
- Abuse of Children During and After Armed Conflict
- The Effect of Armed Conflict and its Aftermath on the Development of Children in the First Three Years of Life

Tuesday, May 6

PGPR Workshop

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