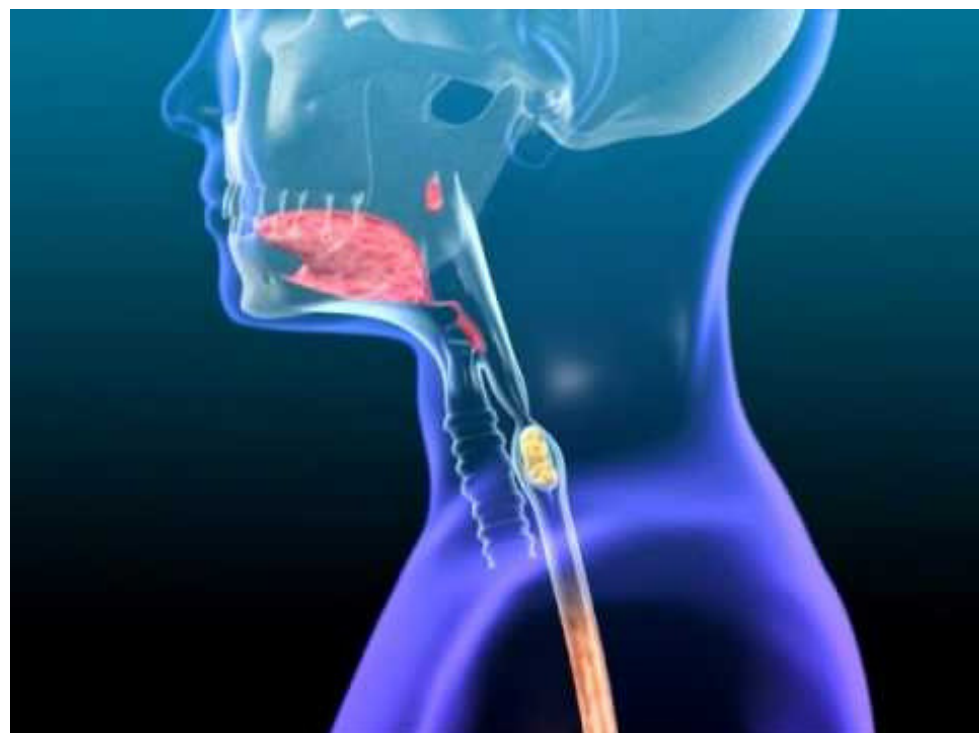
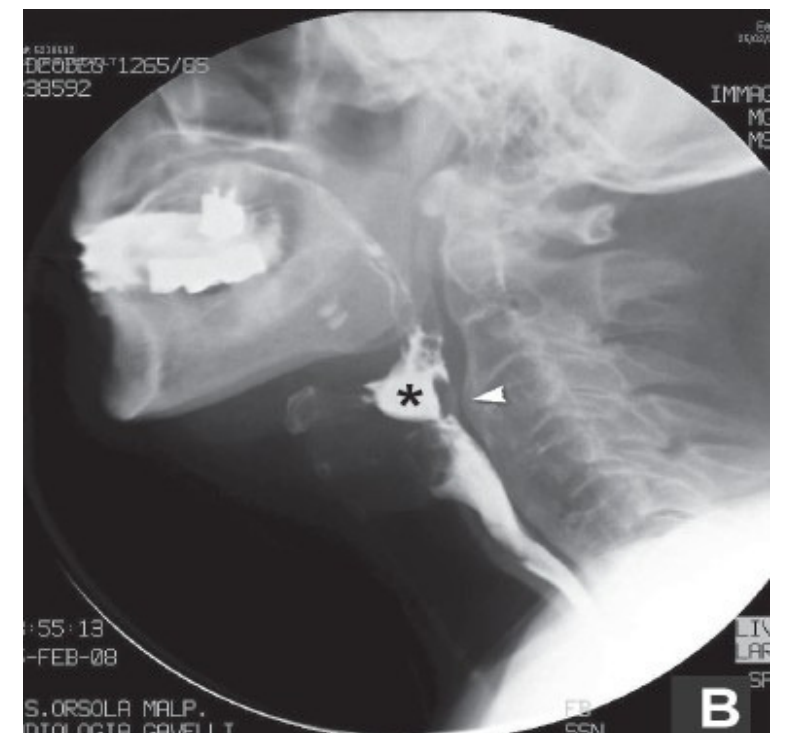


# Training Course on Dysphagia for Infants and Children with Cerebral Palsy



**24th -28th  
October 2018**

**(Advanced session - 27th & 28th)**



**Paediatric Dysphagia, Clinical Assessment, Interventions, Preterms, Cervical Auscultation & Video Fluoroscopy**

**Dr Kath  
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**Dr Kelly  
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Venue : National Centre for Children with Cerebral Palsy and other Developmental Disorders (NCCCPDD), 111/5, 4th lane, Koswatte road, Kalapaluwawa, Rajagiriya, Sri Lanka



**Course fee**

**Sri Lankans : Rs.10,000 (all 5 days)  
Rs. 5,000 (Advanced session 27th & 28th)  
Non - Sri Lankans : USD 100 (all 5 days)  
USD 50 (Advanced session 27th & 28th)**

**(Registrants for Advanced days only (27th & 28th October) will require prior knowledge of typical feeding development, clinical assessment and treatment of feeding difficulties in children.)**

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## **Dr Kath Benfer**

(PhD, MPH, BSpPath)



Dr Kath Benfer is a Post-Doctoral Research Fellow with the Queensland Cerebral Palsy and Rehabilitation Research Centre, The University of Queensland, Australia. Her Post-Doctoral work focuses on early detection/screening and interventions for infants and children with cerebral palsy, in both Australia and low-income countries (India and Bangladesh). She has completed her PhD in Paediatrics and Child Health through The University of Queensland (Australia); her Masters of Public Health (international health and research) at La Trobe University (Australia); and Bachelor of Speech Pathology at The University of Queensland (Australia). Dr Benfer has over 13 years of experience as a speech pathologist within paediatric disability, with community-based child and family support services. She was awarded the prestigious Endeavour Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Scholarship through the Australian Commonwealth Government to conduct the study.



## **Dr Kelly Weir**

(PhD, MSpPath, BSpThy)

Dr Kelly Weir is a certified practicing speech pathologist and conjoint research fellow for allied health at Griffith University & Gold Coast University Hospital & Health Service. She researches in the area of paediatric dysphagia including instrumental evaluation, feeding infants on high flow oxygen, oropharyngeal dysphagia in children with cerebral palsy or disability, management of paediatric dysphagia in acute care (NICU, PICU & tracheostomy management) and use of telehealth to support speech pathologists training in paediatric videofluoroscopy. Kelly has extensive clinical paediatric dysphagia practice (28 years), predominantly in tertiary paediatric hospitals, and is an international presenter on paediatric dysphagia with 55 publications. She particularly supports allied health practitioners to conduct clinical research in hospital and community settings.

**24th October Wednesday 9-4pm**

9-10.30	Operational definitions & typical feeding development
10.45-12.30	CP and feeding (incl GMFCS, motor types)
1.15-2.45	Profiles of dysphagia in CP, ex-preterms
3-4	Assessment 1: Screening, parent report, classification

**25th October Thursday 9-4pm**

9-10.30	Assessment 2: Clinical evaluation, pharyngeal signs
10.45-12.30	Video practice case as whole group; instrumental
1.15-2.45	Videoed practical: assessment (8 groups)
3-4	Intervention 1: Overview of management (linking neurology, development, function; priorities for management; functional goal setting)

**26th October Friday 9-4pm**

9-10.30	Intervention 2: Direct oral-sensorimotor interventions (including transitional feeding strategy)
10.45-12.30	Intervention 3: Indirect strategies
1.15-2.45	Video practical: intervention (8 groups)
3-4	Feedback of video practical sessions

**27th Saturday 9-4pm**

9-10.30	Cervical auscultation: Components of normal swallowing sounds: perceptual and acoustic features Equipment (stethoscope vs microphone) and practical
10.45-12.30	Normal swallow and breath sounds in children with practical (recorded examples)
1.15-2.45	Perceptual and acoustic features of abnormal swallow and breath sounds in infants and children with dysphagia (plus practical)
3-4	Reporting findings, clinical utility, reliability

**28th Sunday 9-4pm (Stream 1 with Dr. Kath)**

9-4	Practical Family Day - hands on practical
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**28th Sunday 9-4pm (Stream 2 with Dr. Kelly)**

9-10.30	VFSS Training : Fluoroscopy examples (anatomy, breast feeding, bottle feeding, cup drinking, textures)
10.45-12.30	Procedural considerations for paediatric VFSS
1.15-2.45	Analysing and interpreting VFSS studies
3-4	Recommendations and reporting; special cases

**(For the 28th October - Please indicate your participation for Stream 1 or 2 on registration)**