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# Joint Meeting of the Cleft/VPD Interactive Conference & International Symposium on Velopharyngeal Dysfunction

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## CONFERENCE DESCRIPTION

The 2024 Cleft/VPD Interactive Conference and International Symposium on VPD is a comprehensive two-day course designed to provide otolaryngologists, plastic surgeons, speech-language pathologists, and other healthcare providers with up-to-date clinical and scientific information to guide their practice in the management of cleft palate, velopharyngeal dysfunction, and related health conditions.

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## Friday, November 1, 2024

## Saturday, November 2, 2024

8:00 a.m. Registration and Breakfast

9:00 **Opening Remarks**  
Richard Kirschner and Phayvanh Pecha

9:15 **Keynote: We Are All In This Together**  
Ron Strauss

10:00 **Interdisciplinary Panel: Team Approaches to VPD Management and Outcomes Assessment**  
Adriane Baylis, Catherine de Blacam, Amelia Drake

10:45 Break & Visit Posters

11:00 **Breakout Session 1**  
**Cleft Lip Repair**  
Adam Johnson, Richard Kirschner, Delora Mount, Phayvanh Pecha  
**Overcoming Stigma in Patients with Cleft Palate and VPD**  
Ron Strauss, Peter Duquette  
**The Perceptual Speech Evaluation**  
Kelly Cordero, Adriane Baylis

11:45 Lunch

12:45 p.m. **Breakout Session 2**  
**Cleft Palate Repair**  
Richard Kirschner, Raj Petersson, Brianne Roby  
**VP Imaging: Nasopharyngoscopy and Videofluoroscopy Workshop**  
Caitlin Cummings, Jamie Perry  
**Alveolar Bone Grafting**  
Shelly Abramowicz, John Caccamese, Mark Miller

1:30 Break

1:45 **Breakout Session 3**  
**Cleft Lip Revision and Rhinoplasty**  
Larry Hartzell, Laura Hetzler, Krishna Patel  
**Cleft Feeding 101**  
Heather McGhee, Melissa Montiel  
**Management of VPD in Patients with Maxillary Hypoplasia: Case-Based Problem Solving**  
Sara Kinter, Mark Miller, Travis Tollefson

2:30 Break

2:45 Top-Rated Oral Platform Papers

3:15 **Approach to the Patient with Submucous Palate**  
Sara Kinter, Greg Pearson, Jim Phillips

4:15 **Management of VPD in 22q11.2 Deletion Syndrome**  
Jill Arganbright, Adriane Baylis, Richard Kirschner

5:00 Visit Exhibitors & Wine and Cheese Reception

5:15 **Optional Simulation Workshops**  
**Mandibular Distraction Simulation**  
Siva Chinnadurai, Zahrah Taufique  
**VPD Nasopharyngoscopy Simulation**  
Caitlin Cummings, Shane Zim

8:00 a.m. Breakfast

8:25 **Welcome Remarks**  
Adriane Baylis, Steve Goudy

8:30 **Keynote: The State of the Art in Surgical Management of VPD and Outcomes Assessment**  
Catherine de Blacam

9:15 **Panel: Buccal Myomucosal Flap in Secondary Surgery**  
Deb Kacmarynski, Alex Marston, Carolyn Rogers-Vizena

10:15 Break

10:30 **Airway, Feeding, and Cleft Management of Infants with Pierre Robin Sequence**  
Lauren Leeper, Heather McGhee, Greg Pearson, Andrew Scott

11:15 **Velopharyngeal MRI**  
Jamie Perry

11:45 Lunch

12:45 p.m. **Breakout Session 4**  
**VPD Surgery Techniques**  
Richard Kirschner, Lisa Morris, Delora Mount  
**The Impact of Compensatory Misarticulations on VPD Management**  
Kelly Cordero, Caitlin Cummings  
**Fistula Repair**  
Greg Allen, Greg Pearson, Scott Tatum

1:45 **Breakout Session 5**  
**VP MRI Workshop**  
Jamie Perry  
**Speech therapy for Compensatory Misarticulations**  
Cate Crowley, Melissa Montiel, Stephanie Schank  
**VPD Revision Surgery**  
Noel Jabbour, Patrick Munson, Bob Tibesar

2:30 Break

2:45 **Diagnosis and Management of Obstructive Sleep Apnea in Patients Before/After VPD Surgery**  
Chris Discolo, Dominic Gault, Heather Koehn, David Zopf

3:45 Oral Platform Papers

4:15 **VPD Management around the World**  
Ryan Belcher, Cate Crowley, Joseph Lopez

5:00 **Closing Remarks**  
Krishna Patel, Travis Tollefson

# 2024 Joint Meeting of the Cleft Palate Interactive Conference and the International Symposium on VPD

## CONFERENCE LEARNING OBJECTIVES:

Participants will be able to:

- Utilize the interdisciplinary expertise offered in team environments to optimize cleft care.
- Critically evaluate the findings in patients with velopharyngeal dysfunction and formulate treatment plans.
- Describe the increased complexity when evaluating velopharyngeal dysfunction in children who have a 22q11.2 deletion syndrome.
- Discuss the rationale for the different surgical techniques used to repair cleft lip and palate.
- Evaluate the speech sound disorders caused by cleft palate and velopharyngeal dysfunction



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