

New Voices, Lasting Legacies



In this issue, we feature articles that explore NIDCAP training across diverse settings. Dalia Silbertstein shares her reflections on the NIDCAP Advanced Practicum (AP) in Spanish and English, challenging us to consider new perspectives on training approaches. Hannah Dalrymple offers insights from the viewpoint

of a medical practitioner during her AP, guiding us through the challenges and triumphs of her experience. Jeffery Alberts challenges us to consider the hot topic of Delirium in the NICU.

Angela Gregoraci contributes a thoughtful piece on implementing broader aspects of individualised developmental care based on the NIDCAP model. She highlights various strategies to support parents and staff, enriching our understanding of how this model can be applied. Oleksandra Balyasna, a mother from Ukraine, shares her journey and recommendations for supporting parents.

Continuing our ongoing feature introducing NFI members, this issue profiles Julia Giesen. Alongside the profile, we are

privileged to share Julia's evocative poetry inspired by her experience with the Assessment of Preterm Infant Behaviour (APIB).

We also take a moment to say farewell and express deep gratitude to **gretchen Lawhon**, who is stepping down from the editorial team. gretchen has been a foundational member of the *Developmental Observer* since its launch in 2007. Her dedication and contributions have been extraordinary. Thank you, gretchen, for your enduring commitment and wisdom.

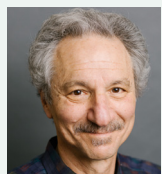
We welcome **Livia Nagy-Bonnard** to the editorial team as the Family Voices column co-editor. Livia brings a wealth of experience and a strong commitment to family-centred care.

As always, I welcome suggestions for features, content, and potential reviewers. Please don't hesitate to contact me—I would love to hear from you.

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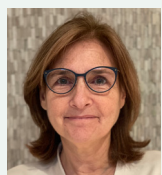
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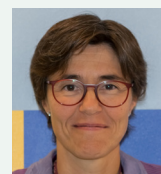
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