

WINTER SWIPE 2025

South West interest in Paediatric Epilepsy

Reed Hall, University of Exeter

Friday, 21st November 2025

Register at www.braincell.org

09:15 – Venue Open / Refreshments

09.45 – Welcome and introduction

Dr Hayley King, Consultant General Paediatrician, UHBW & Dr Ravi Poorun, NIHR Clinical Lecturer, UoE

10:00 – The role of genetic testing in rare epilepsy disorders

Dr Sam Amin, Consultant Paediatric Neurologist, UHBW

10:45 – Epilepsies with variable diagnostics

Dr Thiloka Ratnaike, Paediatric Neurology Trainee, UHBW

11.15 – Refreshment Break

11:35 – Snippets from Exeter

12:00 – Outcome prediction in paediatric vagal nerve stimulation therapy: what does the evidence tell us?

Mr Will Singleton, Consultant Paediatric Neurosurgeon, UHBW

12:45 – Paediatric Neurosurgical Research Talk

Dr Oliver Sluijters, Neurosurgical Trainee, NBHT

13:10 – Lunch

13:55 – Clinical and genetic spectrum of GRIN-associated epileptic encephalopathies: A case series

Dr Saraswathi Holla, Paediatric trainee, UHBW

14.35 - Epilepsy 12 Discussion and Network Update

Dr Archana Murugan, Consultant Paediatric Neurologist, UHBW and Colin Dunkley, Epilepsy 12

15:20 – Refreshment break

15:40 – CESS Updates and new technological and research developments within the network

Mr Mike Carter, Consultant Paediatric Neurosurgeon, UHBW

16:20 – A case of pancytopenia in a child with dravet syndrome

Dr Katy Burnage, Paediatric Neurology Trainee, UHBW

16:40 – Wrap up and Close