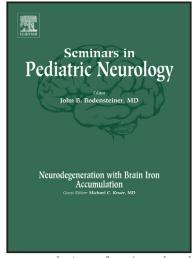
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#### **Abstract:**

Pediatric neurocritical care has emerged as a defined subspecialty in child neurology and requires a collaborative effort among the child neurologist, pediatric critical care medicine specialist and the pediatric neurosurgeon. Pediatric neurocritical care has evolved differently in children than in adults and its delivery depends upon the local resources available for pediatric care. This paper reviews the current practice of pediatric neurocritical care by the child neurologist: where it is practiced, how it is practiced, the disorders encountered (that differ from adult neurocritical care), the training required to care for these disorders, and what is needed for the future of pediatric neurocritical care.

#### **Introduction:**

The goal of neurocritical care (NCC) is to improve the outcome for patients with life-threatening central nervous system (CNS) disorders (1). Once brain injury has occurred, NCC must prevent secondary brain injury, applying neuroprotection techniques and treatment before an irreversible CNS insult develops. Technologic advances in respiratory care, neuroanesthesiology, and post-operative neurosurgical care and especially, a strong collaborative effort among neurologists, anesthesiologists, and neurosurgeons contributed to the development of the dedicated neurologic intensive care unit (ICU) (2). NCC is now an established subspecialty of Neurology with

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