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This conference brings clinical and academic experts together to explore latest developments in prenatal screening and diagnosis and examine how we might ensure optimal care for parents. We will focus particularly on collaboration and the importance of multidisciplinary team working to underpin best practice.

The day has something to offer all those working in the field or with an interest in this fast-moving and ethically-charged area of healthcare. Hosting this in person means opportunities for discussion and networking between delegates, eminent speakers and exhibitors.

The conference costs just £10! Turn to the back cover for details on how to book your place. We are holding the conference in person in central London to encourage face-to-face interaction, but of course will take any necessary Covid-19 precautions.

Programme*

9.15 – 9.45  Registration

9.45 – 9.55  Chair’s welcome Dr Pranav Pandya, Director of Fetal Medicine at University College Hospital London and Chair of the Fetal Anomaly Screening Programme (FASP) Advisory Group

9.55 – 10.05  Opening address Professor Katie Morris, President, the British Maternal and Fetal Medicine Society

10.05 – 10.30  Update from the NHS Fetal Anomaly Screening Programme NHS FASP

10.30 – 11.00  Improving communication around screening: ‘The Convene Study’ - Jane Wagstaff, Research Midwife, Leeds Teaching Hospitals Trust

11.00 – 11.25  Refreshment break

11.25 – 11.55  Prenatal genomic testing - how are we doing? Professor Lyn Chitty, Professor of Genetics and Fetal Medicine, UCL/ICH

12.00 – 12.25  Genomics - what do midwives need to know? Donna Kirwan, Genomics Midwifery Lead, NHS England and NHS Improvement

12.25 – 13.10  The sonographer’s view - Gill Harrison, Professional Officer for Ultrasound for the Royal Society of Radiographers and Alexandra Drought, Superintendent Ultrasoundographer, Chelsea and Westminster Hospital

13.10 – 14.00  Lunch

14.00 – 15.10  Panel discussion: What are the components of optimal care for parents after prenatal diagnosis? Chaired by Professor Louise Bryant, Psychological and Social Medicine, University of Leeds
Panellists: Professor Sir Tom Shakespeare - Co-director of the International Centre for Evidence in Disability at LSHTM; Dr Brenda Kelly - Consultant, Obstetrics and Fetomaternal Medicine, Oxford University Hospitals; Mando Meleagrou - Director of Psychotherapy Service for Maternity Patients, Harris Birthright Centre for Fetal Medicine, London; Jane Fisher, ARC Director.

15.10 – 15.30  Refreshment break

15.30 – 16.00  Prenatal diagnosis of neurological conditions – how to improve counselling - Dr Tony Hart, Consultant Paediatric Neurologist, Sheffield Children’s Hospital

16.00 – 16.30  Improving prenatal screening – next steps Professor Kypros Nicolaides, Director of Harris Birthright Centre for Fetal Medicine, London

16.30  Chair’s closing remarks

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