

March 26th Resources

Brains-Abusive Head Trauma presented by [Randell Alexander, MD, PhD](#)

Learning objectives:

At the conclusion of this session, participants will be able to:

1. List the causes for shaking, especially with infants
2. Describe the basic physical injuries associated with abusive head trauma (AHT)
3. Recognize some common myths and misleading defense arguments about AHT
4. Know what outcomes may occur and what prevention efforts tell us so far

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