



**NASPGHAN Foundation Hepatology Bootcamp  
April 16-17, 2026  
Hyatt Regency O'Hare Chicago  
Chicago, IL**

**Course Directors:**

- Amal Aqul, MD
- Mercedes Martinez, MD
- Saeed Mohammad, MD

**Invited Faculty:**

- Amal Aqul, MD
- Sonny Harpavat, MD, PhD
- Rohit Kohli, MBBS, MS
- Kathleen Loomes, MD
- Mercedes Martinez, MD
- Vicky Ng, MD, FRCPC
- Emily Perito, MD MAS
- Jim Squires, MD, MS

**Thursday, April 16**

3:00 PM -5:00 PM	Registration
4:00 PM – 5:00 PM	Faculty Meeting
5:00 PM- 5:30 PM	Opening Remarks and Faculty introduction
5:30 PM- 6:30 PM	Dinner/Lecture: MASLD in Children 2023 <i>Speaker: Rohit Kohli, MBBS, MS</i>
6:30 PM- 8:00 PM	Hepatology Jeopardy Moderators: <i>Amal Aqul and Mercedes Martinez, MD</i>
8:00 PM- 9:00 PM	Networking Reception

## **Friday, April 17**

- 6:40 AM-7:20 AM Continental Breakfast
- 7:20 AM-7:25 AM Opening Remarks
- 7:30 AM-11:30 AM Small Group Sessions – See Small Group Assignments for Room

- 7:30 AM– 8:20 AM
  - Group 1: Cholestatic Infant: A Primer of Diagnostic Pointers & Management  
*Speakers: Sonny Harpavat, MD, PhD & Kathleen Loomes, MD*
  - Group 2: Navigating Challenges of Portal Hypertension Management in Children  
*Speakers: Vicky Ng, MD, FRCPC & Amal Aqul, MD*
  - Group 3: Liver Masses: A Practical Diagnostic Approach  
*Speakers: Jim Squires, MD, MS & Emily Perito, MD MAS*
  - Group 4: Autoimmune Liver Disease and Sclerosing Cholangitis- Challenging Cases  
*Speakers: Rohit Kohli, MBBS, MS & Mercedes Martinez, MD*
- 8:25 AM -9:15 AM
  - Group 1: Navigating Challenges of Portal Hypertension Management in Children  
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- 9:20 AM- 9:40 AM Break/Check out

- 9:45 AM- 10:35 AM
  - Group 1: Liver Masses: A Practical Diagnostic Approach  
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- 10:40 AM- 11:20 AM
  - Group 1: Autoimmune Liver Disease and Sclerosing Cholangitis- Challenging Cases  
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11:40 AM- 12:30 PM            Lunch Lecture: A Primer on Genetic Panels  
*Speaker: Kathleen Loomes, MD*

12:45 PM– 3:15 PM    Case Based Talks – See case-based small group assignments for room

- 12:45 PM-1:15 PM    Case- Based Talks #1  
Group 1: Abnormal Liver Tests: Management Considerations and Pearls  
*Speakers: Mercedes Martinez, MD & Amal Aqul, MD*  
  
Group 2: Long Term Survivor of Pediatric Liver Transplantation: What Does the Non-Transplant Hepatologist Need to Know  
*Speakers: Jim Squires, MD, MS & Vicky Ng, MD, FRCPC*
- 1:20 PM–1:50 PM    Case- Based Talks #1  
Group 2: Abnormal Liver Tests: Management Considerations and Pearls  
*Speakers: Mercedes Martinez, MD & Amal Aqul, MD*  
  
Group 1: Long Term Survivor of Pediatric Liver Transplantation: What Does the Non-Transplant Hepatologist Need to Know  
*Speakers: Jim Squires, MD, MS & Vicky Ng, MD, FRCPC*

1:55 PM –3:15 PM            Case-Based Talks #2

- 1:55PM –2:25PM    Case-Based Talks #2  
Group 1: PALF - Pediatric Acute Liver Failure  
*Speakers: Jim Squires, MD & Amal Aqul, MD,*  
  
Group 2: Sound Bytes and What I Need to Know About Novel Drugs in Pediatric Chronic Liver  
*Speakers: Kathleen Loomes, MD & Rohit Kohli, MBBS, MS*
- 2:30 PM- 3:00 PM: Case-Based Talks #2  
Group 2: PALF - Pediatric Acute Liver Failure  
*Speakers: Jim Squires, MD & Amal Aqul, MD*  
  
Group 1: Sound Bytes and What I Need to Know About Novel Drugs in Pediatric Chronic Liver  
*Speakers: Kathleen Loomes, MD & Rohit Kohli, MBBS, MS*

3:15 pm - 3:30 pm:            Closing Remarks

Departures

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