

Perinatal Faculty Psychiatry Conference 2026

Date: 27th November

Venue: 21 Prescott Street, in-person and live-streamed

Time	Session	
8.30am	Registration, refreshments and online poster exhibition viewing	
Session 1		
9.15am	Welcome and introductory remarks	
9.30am	New directions in Preconception Chair: Dr Livia Martucci Dr Maddalena Miele, Consultant Perinatal Psychiatrist	
10.10am	Q & A session	
10.15am	Fetal impact and psychotropic use Chair: Dr Livia Martucci Dr Paul Cawley, Consultant Neonatologist, Guys & St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust	
10.55am	Q & A session	
11.00am	Break and online poster viewing	
A choice of two parallel workshops		
11.25am	1) Parental mental health and early years child development Professor Paul Ramchandani, Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist and LEGO Professor of Play in Education Development and Learning, Cambridge University UK	2) Melodies for Dads: Can a community group singing intervention improve father-infant relationship in fathers at-risk of postnatal depression? Francesca Mancino and Seungyoung (Aeron) Kim, PhD researchers in Perinatal Psychiatry, King's College London, UK.
12:10pm	Q & A session	Q & A session

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12.20pm	Lunch and online poster viewing
Session 2	
1.15pm	Digital Villages of Care: Breastfeeding-led support for maternal mental health during war in Gaza Dr Yafa Ajweh
1.30pm	Daksha Emson Prize – Trainees Oral presentations Chair: Dr Mano Manoharan and Dr Chaya Mupiri
2.05pm	Eating Disorders in perinatal period Chair: Dr Mano Manoharan Dr Felicity Callender, Consultant Psychiatrist, South London and Maudsley NHS Foundation Trust
2.45pm	Q & A session
2.55pm	Afternoon break and online posters viewing
Session 3	
3.15pm	Awarding of prizes Dr Mano Manoharan & Dr Chaya Mupiri
3.20pm	Neuromodulation: Efficacy, Safety and Future Implications for Perinatal Mental Health Care Chair: Dr Livia Martucci Prof Mario F. P. Jurueña Professor of Affective Disorders and Translational Psychiatry, King's College London and Consultant Psychiatrist, South London and Maudsley NHS Foundation Trust
3.55pm	Q & A session

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4.05pm	Future of academic psychiatry: Panel Discussion Chair: TBC Dr Paola Dazzan, Institute of Psychiatry, London Dr Claire Wilson, Academic at the Institute of Psychiatry, Psychology and Neuroscience, King's College London and Consultant Psychiatrist, SLAM Dr Raquel Catalao, specialist registrar in psychiatry and a Wellcome Trust Clinical PhD fellow
4.35pm	Q & A session
4.45pm	Conference close

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