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Stephen Playfor is a Consultant Paediatric Intensivist and has worked in this clinical area since 1998. As part of his training he worked in Toronto and Melbourne. He has a particular interest in sedation, analgesia and neuromuscular blockade, and leads the UK Paediatric Intensive Care Society Special Interest Group in these areas. Stephen also has an interest in clinical education and runs a multi-disciplinary teaching skills course within the Trust.

Stephen is the President of the UK Paediatric Research Society and has published around 12 papers in peer-reviewed journals in the last 2 years; he has a particular interest in clinically relevant, bedside research projects. He has recently introduced the AnaConDa device to PICU; a novel device for facilitating the administration of volatile anaesthetic agents in critical care.

In 2007 he was a key member of the National Patient Safety Agency Working Group on the dangers of hypotonic fluids and iatrogenic hyponatraemia in children and drafted the National Alert on this issue.