NNNS Training Program FAQ:

- **When will the training be? What are the training dates?**
  Trainings are usually scheduled on an individual basis. We will be adding training dates for our location to the website shortly.

- **What is the length of the training program?**
  Usually, training lasts 5 days but those with handling and clinical experience with newborns along with pre visit preparation have been able to complete training in less than 5 days.

- **Where does the NNNS training program take place?**
  Training can occur here at Women and Infants Hospital or a trainer may come to your location.

- **Where and how do I purchase more scoring sheets?**
  The score sheets are not published protocols. During training, you will be provided with a pdf version that you may copy as many times as you wish. We do ask that any materials provided during training are not shared with anyone not receiving training to maintain the integrity of training. Once certified, you will receive data entry and syntax that you can use in spss.

- **Is the NNNS training program available online or as a webinar?**
  No, training is very hands on and didactic. Pre visit preparation and reading is strongly encouraged.

- **What does the NNNS training program certification entail?**
  Training is very hands on and didactic. Please review the sample schedule posted online. The time spent during training is with infants and observing behaviors, focusing on administration of items and scoring the assessment. If a trainer comes to your location, you would need access to 4-5 babies per day. It is best to see newborns at least one day old at the beginning of the week and then move to healthy preterms or at risk infants (medically stable) later in the week. It is also best to see a variety and not retest the same babies over and over again.

- **Is the trainee required to complete additional work on their own?**
  Yes, the trainee is required to complete pre visit preparation in the form of reading the manual and practicing the maneuvers on a doll or infants.

- **What happens once I am certified?**
  Once certified, you will receive copies of the forms and summary sheets provided during training. Also, you will receive data entry and syntax that you can use in spss.

- **Do I really need 5 days of training?**
  Trainees with extensive handling and clinical experience with newborns along with pre visit preparation have been able to complete training in less than 5 days.

- **If traveling to Women and Infants Hospital, where do I stay? Are there suggested hotels?**
  We have suggestions for you and some area hotels have a reduced hospital rate and others provide a shuttle to the hospital. There aren’t any hotels within walking distance to the hospital. We suggest hotels in downtown Providence as there are restaurants, amusements and a mall within close proximity. We are happy to suggest hotels that have a hospital rate or provide shuttle service.
Hospital Dress Code: Do I need to wear scrubs?
We are not required to wear scrubs when handling infants. Wear attire appropriate to the professional standards of your position. Closed-toe footwear is required in patient care areas. Shoulder length hair or longer must be pulled away from the face in a secure manner to avoid having it make contact with a patient. Nails must be clean, well-manicured, and kept at an appropriate length for cleanliness and for work activities. Because of infection risks, use of artificial nails, nail decorations, or chipped nail polish is not allowed.