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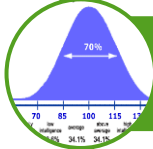


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SLEEP IN THE CONTEXT OF TSC



Epilepsy



Intellectual disability (ID)



Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD)



Autism

Poor sleep is prevalent

SPECIAL ARTICLE LEVEL OF RECOMMENDATION

Practice guideline: Treatment for insomnia and disrupted sleep behavior in children and adolescents with autism spectrum disorder

Report of the Guideline Development, Dissemination, and Implementation Subcommittee of the American Academy of Neurology

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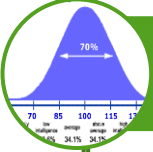
REVIEW

Sleep disorders in patients with ADHD: impact and management challenges

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54-99%



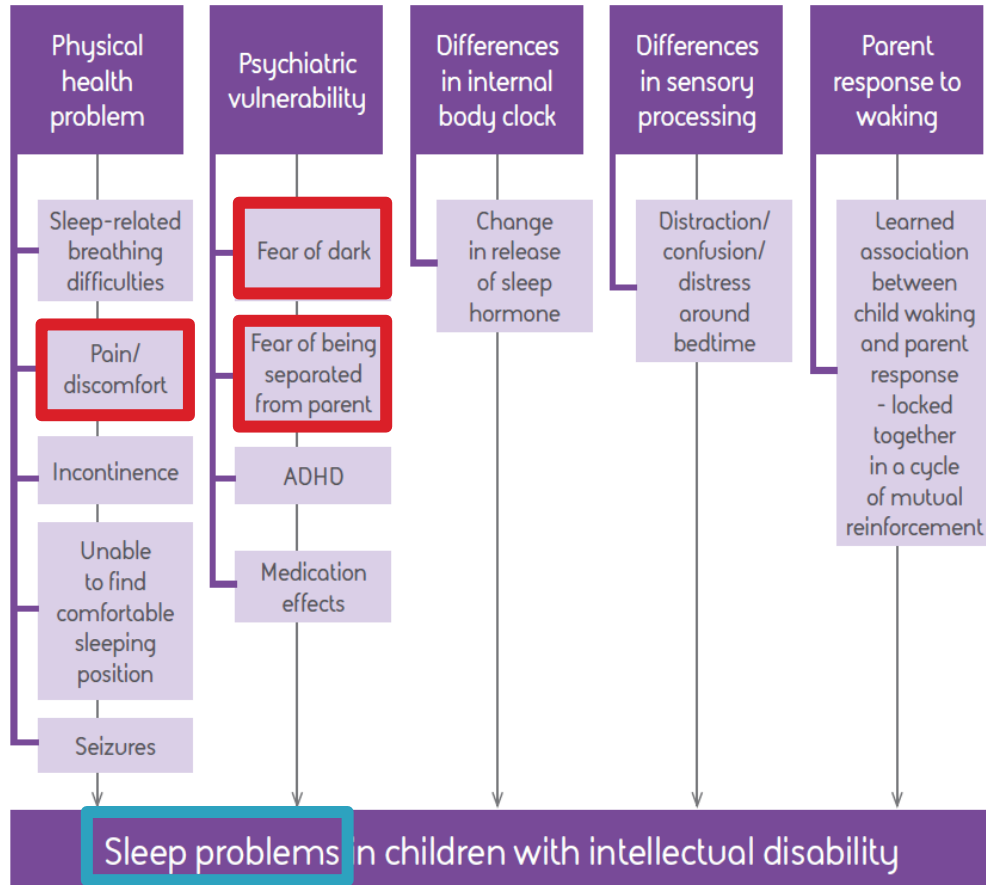
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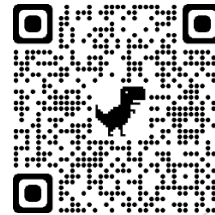
- Insomnia
- Excessive Daytime Sleepiness
- Sleep-Related Breathing Disorders
- Parasomnias
- Sleep-Related Movement Disorders
- Circadian Rhythm Disorders

IMPORTANT SLEEP CONSIDERATIONS



Rely on
parent report

Rely on self-
report



METHODS OF SLEEP ASSESSMENT

SUBJECTIVE MEASURES

- Self-report questionnaires
- Parent report questionnaires
- Sleep diaries

Sleep Diary

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Watch-like device placed on wrist or ankle that detects movement as a proxy measure for sleep and wakefulness

Polysomnography

Electrodes placed on scalp and face throughout sleep duration

Videosomnography

Time-lapse methods used to record and score sleep behaviours

SYNDROME-SPECIFIC FACTORS RELATING TO SLEEP

RESEARCH

Open Access

Sleep disorders in rare genetic syndromes: a meta-analysis of prevalence and profile



Georgie Agar^{1*}, Chloe Brown^{1,2}, Daniel Sutherland¹, Sean Coulborn¹, Chris Oliver¹ and Caroline Richards¹

Table 6 Clinical summary of elevated and equivocal risk for each type of sleep disorder in each syndrome

Syndrome	Sleep-related breathing difficulties	Insomnia	Excessive daytime sleepiness	Sleep Enuresis	Sleep bruxism
Angelman	+	++	+	++	+
CHARGE	++	-	-	-	-
Cornelia de Lange	++	++	+	-	-
Cri du Chat	-	-	-	-	-
Down	++	++	+	+	++
Fragile X	++	+	+	++	++
Hurler	++	-	-	-	-
Jacobsen	-	-	-	-	-
Juvenile Neuronal Ceroid Lipofuscinosis	-	-	-	-	-
Mucopolysaccharidosis Type II	++	-	-	-	-
Mucopolysaccharidosis Type IIIB	+	-	-	-	-
Mucopolysaccharidosis Type IVA	++	-	-	-	-
Neurofibromatosis	+	++	++	-	-
Prader-Willi	++	+	+	+	-
Rett	+	++	+	-	+
Smith-Magenis	-	+	++	-	-
Smith-Lemli-Opitz	-	-	-	-	-
Tuberous Sclerosis Complex	-	++	++	-	-
Williams	++	++	+	+	+

++ indicates a sleep disorder which should be considered as part of a priority assessment in that syndrome, + a sleep disorder which should be considered as part of routine assessment, and - a sleep disorder where further research is needed

CLINICAL RECOMMENDATIONS

The UK guidelines for management and surveillance of tuberous sclerosis complex. *QJM: An International Journal of Medicine*, 112(3), 171-182.

(Amin et al., 2019)

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THE TAND CHECKLIST Lifetime version (TAND-L)

Tuberous Sclerosis Complex (TSC) is associated with a range of neuropsychiatric disorders which we refer to as TAND (TSC-Associated-Neuropsychiatric-Disorders). All people with TSC are at risk of having some of these difficulties. Some people with TSC have very few, while others will have many of them.

Each person with TSC will therefore have their own TAND profile, and this profile may change over time. This checklist was developed to help clinical teams, individuals with TSC and their families a) screen for TAND at every clinic visit and b) prioritize what to do next.

Instructions for use

The TAND Checklist was designed to be completed by a clinician with relevant knowledge and experience in TSC, in partnership with individuals with TSC or their parents/carers.

The Checklist should take about 10 minutes to complete.

Where individuals answer YES to an item, the clinician should explore the difficulty in sufficient detail to help guide decisions about further evaluation or treatment. All items should be completed.

About the interview

Name of TSC Subject: DOB: Age:
 Name of Interviewer: Date of interview:
 Name of interviewee: Self / Parent / Carer / Other (circle)

Let's begin

As you will know, the majority of people with TSC have some difficulty in learning, behaviour, mental health, specific aspects of their development and so on. We are going to use this checklist to help us check for these kinds of difficulties. I am going to ask you a number of questions. Some may be directly relevant; some might not be relevant at all. Just answer as best as you can. At the end I will check to see if there are any additional difficulties we didn't talk about.

For parents/carers of individuals with TSC, please start with question 1.

For individuals with TSC who complete this about themselves, please start with question 3.

01 Let's begin by talking about [subject]'s development to get a sense of where they are at. How old was [subject] when he/she:

- | | | |
|---|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| a. First smiled? | Age: <input type="text"/> | Not yet: ☐ |
| b. Sat without support? | Age: <input type="text"/> | Not yet: ☐ |
| c. Walked without holding on? | Age: <input type="text"/> | Not yet: ☐ |
| d. Used single words other than "mama" or "dada"? | Age: <input type="text"/> | Not yet: ☐ |
| e. Used two words/short phrases? | Age: <input type="text"/> | Not yet: ☐ |
| f. Was toilet trained during the day? | Age: <input type="text"/> | Not yet: ☐ |
| g. Was toilet trained at night? | Age: <input type="text"/> | Not yet: ☐ |

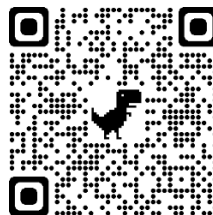


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Secondary health conditions

NICE National Institute for
Health and Care Excellence

Challenging behaviour and learning disabilities: prevention
and interventions for people with learning disabilities whose
behaviour challenges

NICE guideline [NG11] Published date: May 2015 [Uptake of this guidance](#)

1 Recommendations

[Children, young people and adults](#)

[Terms used in this guideline](#)

[1.1 General principles of care](#)

[1.2 Physical healthcare](#)

[1.3 Support and interventions for family members or carers](#)

[1.4 Early identification of the emergence of behaviour that challenges](#)

[1.5 Assessment of behaviour that challenges](#)

[1.6 Behaviour support plan](#)

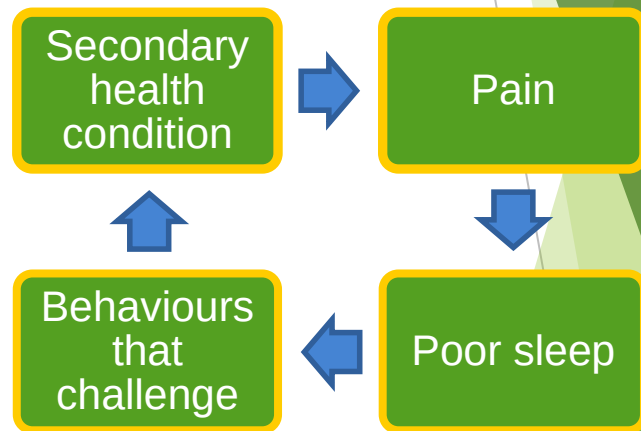
[1.7 Psychological and environmental interventions](#)

[1.8 Medication](#)

[1.9 Reactive strategies](#)

[1.10 Interventions for coexisting health problems](#)

[1.11 Interventions for sleep problems](#)





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Pain in children with severe intellectual disability: A Guide for Parents



This guide aims to help the parents of children with severe intellectual disability and/or communication difficulties understand how pain may affect their child.

The FLACC Pain Scale

Sometimes it is difficult to assess pain in children who are non-verbal. The FLACC Pain Scale is a system that can help parents and professionals assess pain levels in children who have limited or no expressive communication. The diagram shows the categories for scoring. Zero, one or two points are given to each of the five categories: Face, Legs, Activity, Cry and Consolability.

Interpreting the Behaviour Scale
Each category is scored on the 0-2 scale, which results in a total score of 0-10

0 relaxed and comfortable
1 mild discomfort
2 moderate pain
3 severe discomfort of pain or both

Categories	Score Zero	Score One	Score Two
Face	No particular expression or smile	Occasional grimace or frown, withdrawn, disinterested	Frequent to constant, quivering chin, clenched jaw
Legs	Normal position or relaxed	Uneasy, restless, tense	Kicking or legs drawn up
Activity	Lying quietly, normal position moves easily	Squirming, shifting back and forth, tense	Arched, rigid or jerking
Cry	No crying (awake or asleep)	Moans or whimpers, occasional complaint	Crying steadily, screams or sobs, frequent complaints
Consolability	Content, relaxed	Reassured by occasional touching, hugging or being talked to, distractable	Difficult to console or comfort

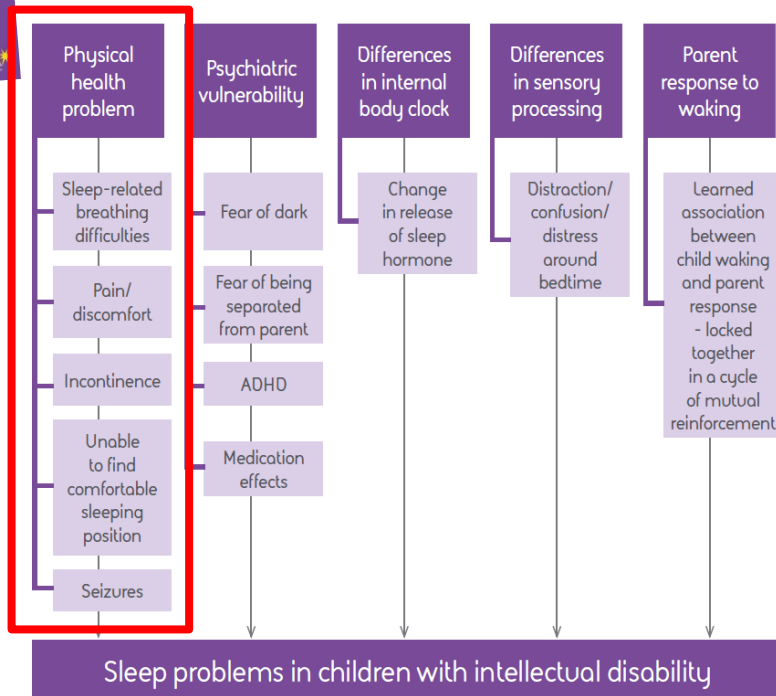
If a child is showing these behaviours, it doesn't necessarily mean that they are in pain as some of the behaviours measured by the FLACC scale can happen for other reasons. However, parents are advised to follow up high scores with a professional.



Advocating for the rights of children with intellectual disabilities



REFERENCE: Merkel, S.J., Vogel, L., T. Shoykhet, J.R., and Mokys, S. (1997). The FLACC-A behavioural scale for scoring postoperative pain in young children. *Pediatric Nursing*, 23(1), 209-207.





Take home messages so far ...

- There are several co-occurring factors prevalent in TSC where we know sleep may be affected
- Several of these co-occurring factors may be difficult to assess in individuals with TSC
- There are subjective and objective measures of sleep – there are costs and benefits of both
- The profile of sleep difficulty in TSC may have some overlap with other syndrome groups, but some may be specific to the co-occurring factors we see in TSC
- **It is important to measure pain as a factor contributing to poor sleep**

TSC ASSOCIATED NEUROPSYCHIATRIC DISORDERS (TAND)



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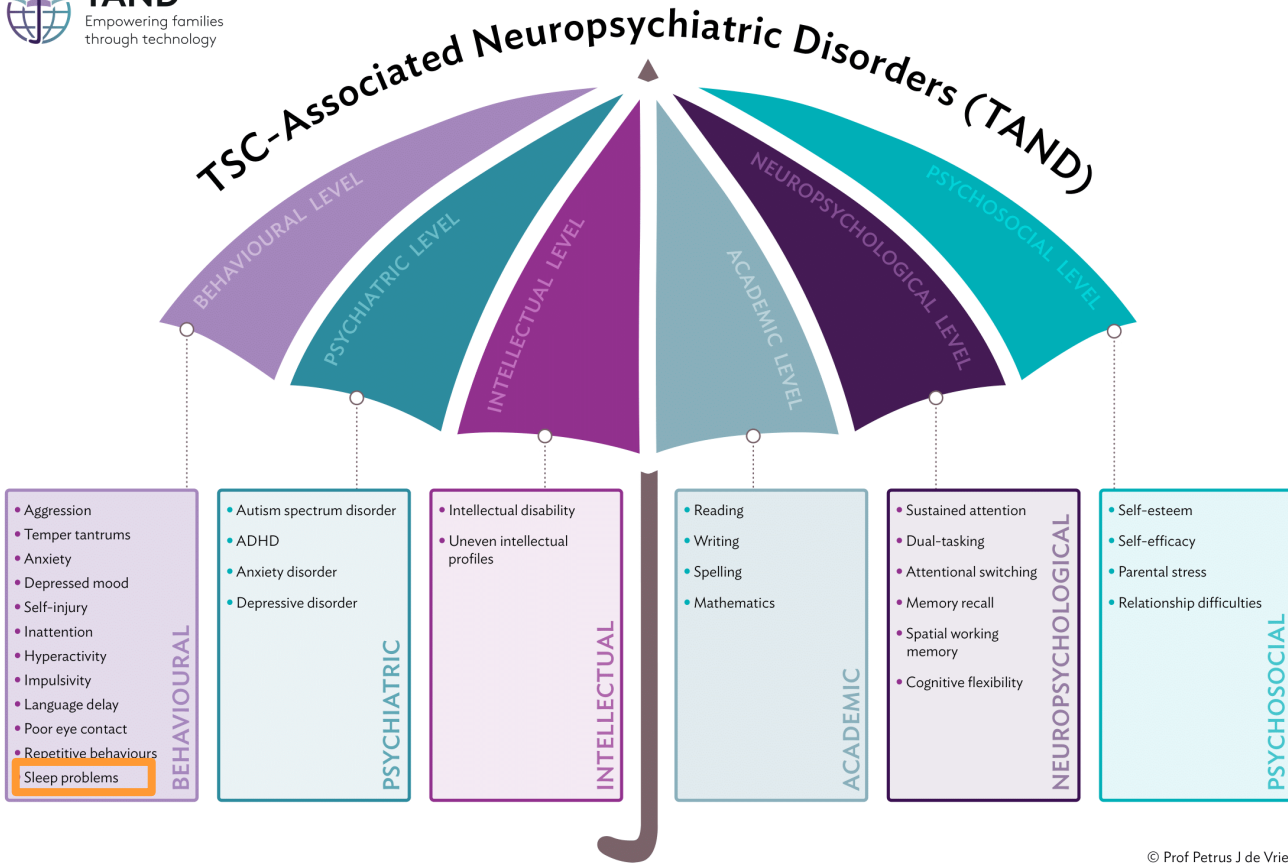
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SLEEP MAY UNDERLIE OTHER ASPECTS OF TAND

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RESEARCH

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A cross-syndrome cohort comparison of sleep disturbance in children with Smith-Magenis syndrome, Angelman syndrome, autism spectrum disorder and tuberous sclerosis complex

J. Trickett^{1,2*}, M. Heald², C. Oliver² and C. Richards²

- Children with TSC evidencing **gastro-oesophageal reflux** obtained higher sleep onset latency and night waking scores
- Night waking and parasomnia scores were positively correlated with **overactivity** scores in children with TSC

Table 6 Profiles of sleep disturbance in children with ASD, SMS, AS and TSC compared to TD children

	AS	SMS	TSC	ASD
Sleep anxiety	–	O	O	O
Bedtime resistance	O	O	O	+
Sleep onset latency	O	O	+	++
Night waking	++	++	+	+
Sleep-disordered breathing	+	++	O	+
Parasomnias	+	++	+	+
Daytime sleepiness	++	++	+	+
Severe early morning waking problems	++	+++	+	++

O effect size $r < 0.2$, + small effect size $r 0.20–0.49$ or odds ratio 0.2–9.0, ++ medium effect size $r 0.5–0.8$ or odds ratio 10.0–49.0, +++ odds ratio > 50



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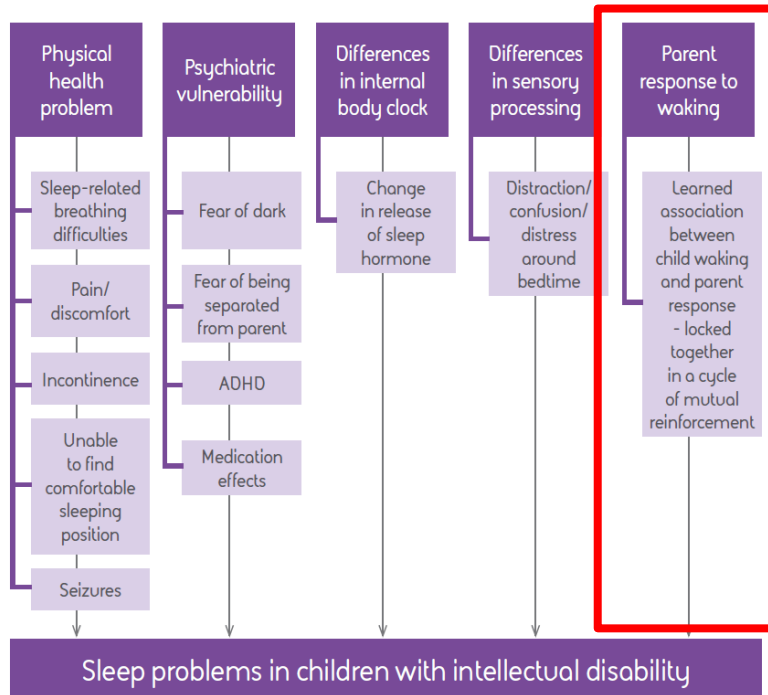
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POOR SLEEP CAN BE BEHAVIOURAL



In some cases, poor sleep in TSC may be behaviourally reinforced

- Settling problems
- Struggling to return to sleep

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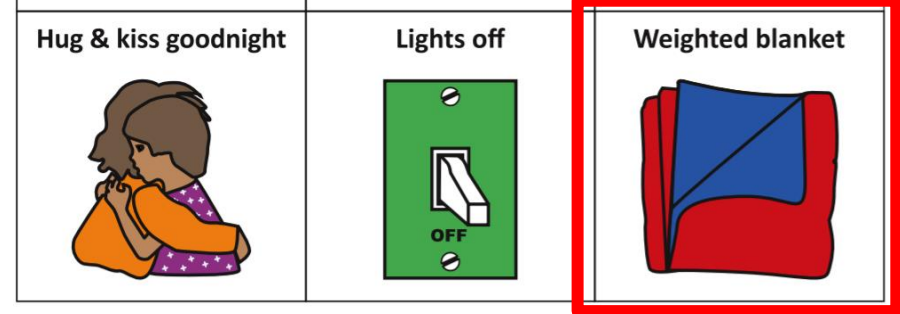


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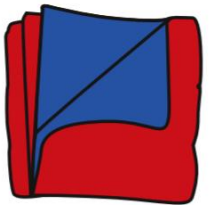


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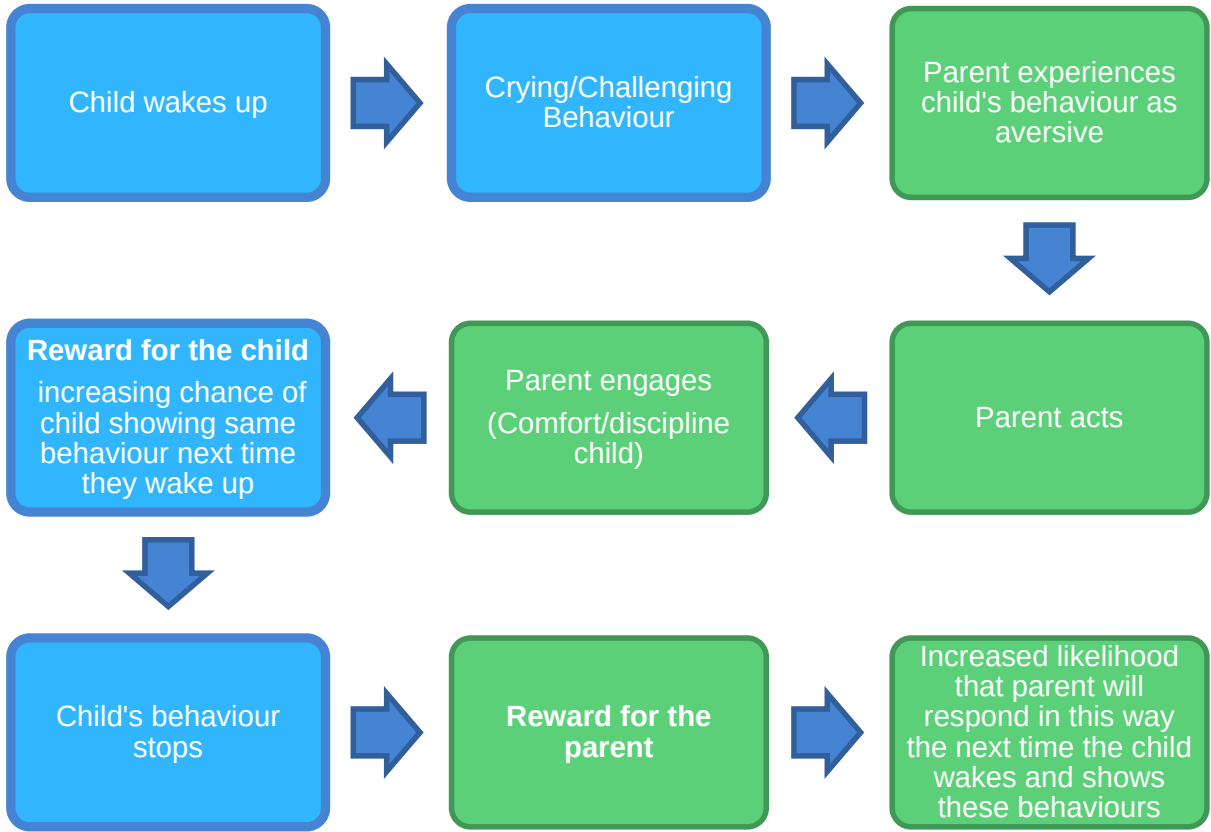
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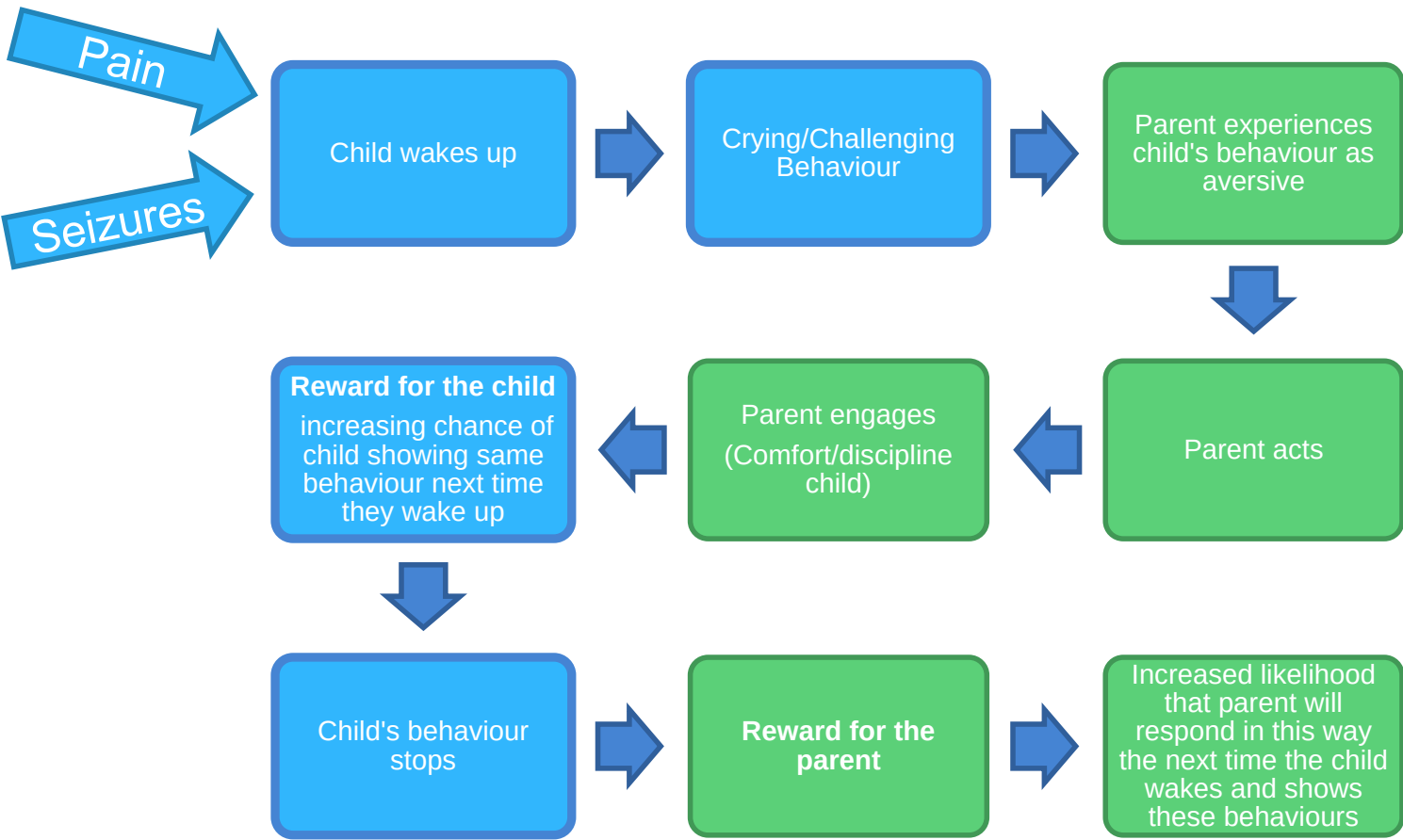
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Weighted blankets for sleep difficulties in
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BEHAVIOURAL MODEL OF INSOMNIA



BUT REASONS FOR WAKING MAY BE TSC-SPECIFIC ...





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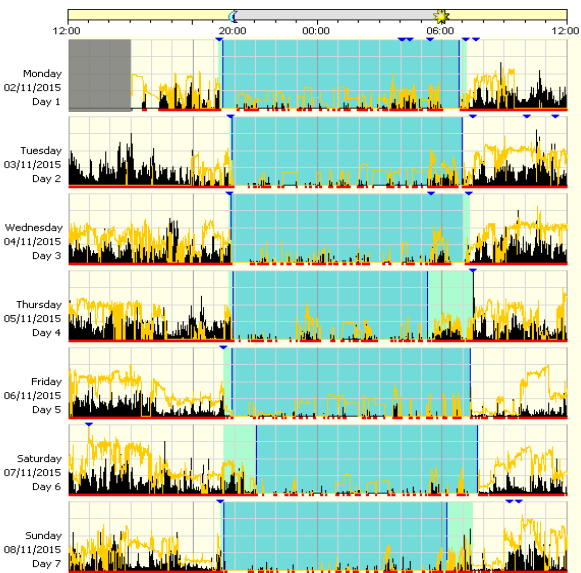
Watch-like device placed on wrist or ankle that detects movement as a proxy measure for sleep and wakefulness

Polysomnography

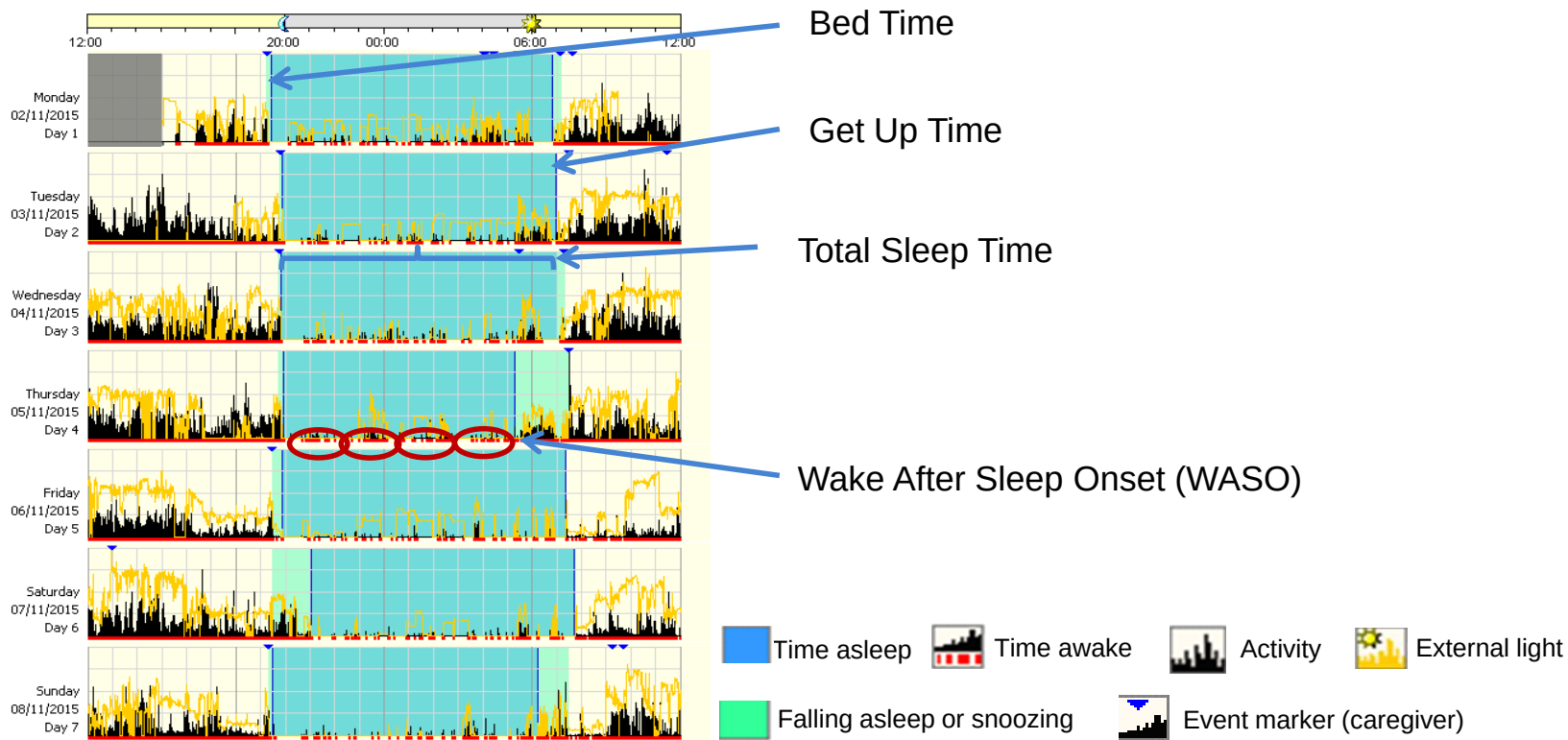
Electrodes placed on scalp and face throughout sleep duration

Videosomnography

Time-lapse methods used to record and score sleep behaviours



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- A **direct study of sleep** in children living in the UK **aged 4-15 years with TSC**.
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Profile of poor sleep in TSC (a TAND behaviour)

How poor sleep may underlie other behaviours we see in TSC (association with TAND behaviours)

eSNORE research
update for caregivers
and professionals

09:30am – 1:00pm UK
28th September 2021



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We are welcoming parents and caregivers of children
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Invited guest speakers will present research across three
themes. There will be time for questions within each session.
The event will conclude with an interactive live Q&A session
and discussion. Attendees are welcome to join the event for
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(eSNORE) project was the largest direct study of sleep in
children with tuberous sclerosis complex to date. Children
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More information about the eSNORE project is available at:

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Sleep in genetic
syndromes and
clinical considerations
09:30am-10:15am UK

Speakers:

Dr Georgie Agar
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Dr Catherine Hill
(University of Southampton)

TSC research findings
from eSNORE and the
Cerebra Network
10:30am-11:15am UK

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Sleep in the context of
TAND and the
TANDEM project
11:30am-12:15pm UK

Speakers:

Prof Petrus de Vries
(University of Cape Town)
Dr Stephanie Vanclooster
(Vrije Universiteit Brussel)



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