

## Kara Calkins – Short Bio

**Dr. Kara Calkins** works as a neonatologist at Mattel Children’s Hospital and UCLA Santa Monica Medical Center. In addition, she is a Clinical Professor of Pediatrics and Program Director of the Neonatology Perinatal Fellowship at UCLA.

Dr. Calkins specializes in the care of critically ill and premature infants. Her research focuses on the impact of nutrition on growth, metabolism, and specific liver disease in children, including pioneering work on fish oil-based lipid emulsions for intestinal failure-associated liver disease. She has served as principal investigator on multiple NIH- and foundation-funded studies and contributed to over 40 peer-reviewed publications and book chapters.