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Oral Rehydration May Be Best for Children With Gastroenteritis

A randomized study suggests that children moderately dehydrated due to gastroenteritis are better treated in emergency department with oral rather than IV rehydration.

<http://mp.medscape.com/cgi-bin/1/DM/y/emHN0EIZ1O0DzQ0GQqm0EZ>

Girls With Lichen Sclerosus May Present With Constipation

Investigators urge primary care physicians to consider diagnosis of anogenital lichen sclerosus in girls with constipation and/or other gastrointestinal tract complaints.

<http://mp.medscape.com/cgi-bin/1/DM/y/emHN0EIZ1O0DzQ0GQqn0Ea>

Depot Medroxyprogesterone Acetate Use May Be Linked to Bone Loss in Adolescents

A population-based prospective study supports bone loss from use of injectable DMPA for contraception in adolescents; however, the loss may be reversed with discontinuation.

<http://mp.medscape.com/cgi-bin/1/DM/y/emHN0EIZ1O0DzQ0GQ3o0EZ>

Factors That Predict Response to Asthma Therapy in Children Identified

Specific patient characteristics may help guide clinicians in selecting asthma controller medication most likely to achieve favourable responses in children with mild-to-moderate persistent asthma, U.S. researchers reports.

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Girls Less Likely Than Boys to Be Referred for Short Stature

New research indicates possible gender bias in referrals for short stature, such that problem could be overlooked in girls and overtreated in boys.

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Maternal Asthma and Allergies May up the Risk of Autism

Women with asthma and/or allergies around time of pregnancy appear at increased risk for having a child affected by autism, researchers from California report in February Archives of Pediatrics and Adolescent Medicine.

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Birth Size Linked to Some Adult Cancers

Higher birth weight may increase risk of some adult cancers, according to report in the February 7th online edition of International Journal of Cancer.

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Intrapartum Complications Increase Risk of Perinatal Stroke in Infants

Maternal infertility along with several intrapartum complications are independently associated with perinatal arterial stroke in infants, researchers in California report. The findings suggest that a thrombotic propensity underlies the association.

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Benefits of Early Calcium Supplementation Maintained During Puberty in Girls

Calcium supplementation in adolescent girls may increase total body bone mineral density, an effect sustained over time during puberty, according to 2 reports in American Journal of Clinical Nutrition for January.

<http://mp.medscape.com/cgi-bin/1/DM/y/el7K0EIZ1O0DzQ0GQ0iP0Eb>

Passive Smoking Linked to Lung Disease in Large Prospective Study

Findings from a large prospective study confirm that passive smoking is a risk factor for lung disease and other pulmonary disease. Of particular concern, exposure to environmental tobacco smoke during childhood raised risk of lung cancer in adulthood by more than threefold.

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Drop in Varicella Mortality Seen After Vaccine Program Implemented in US

Since universal childhood varicella vaccination program was implemented in US in 1995, there has been a sharp decline in varicella-related mortality, according to researchers from Centers for Disease Control and Prevention .

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Home Oximetry May Be as Good as Polysomnography for Predicting Response to Treatment of Obstructive Sleep Apnea

In study of 228 patients, ability of physicians to predict outcome of continuous positive airway treatment in individual patients was not significantly different with the 2 techniques.

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Couples in Developing Countries Having Fewer Children – UN

Men and women in developing nations are marrying later, having fewer children, and having them later in life, UN demographers reported on Tuesday.

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Aerobic Exercise Improves Cardiovascular Fitness After Fontan Operation

Aerobic exercise training improves cardiovascular fitness in children who undergo Fontan operation for cardiac defects, according to a report in January 1 issue of The American Journal of Cardiology.

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Children Born With Hypothyroidism Have Lower IQs

IQs of children with congenital hypothyroidism are moderately lower than their unaffected siblings, a Canadian study shows.

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CMV Viremia Tied to Neonatal Hearing Loss

Detectable levels of cytomegalovirus DNA are associated with hearing loss in newborns with symptomatic congenital CMV infection involving central nervous system, researchers report in the January 15 issue of The Journal of Infectious Diseases.

<http://mp.medscape.com/cgi-bin/1/DM/y/elvr0EIZ1O0DzQ0GPuL0ET>

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