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A scoping review of pain resulting from the endotracheal suctioning of paediatric intensive care patients

International Journal of Palliative Nursing Vol. 30, No. 6 pp.264-273

This scoping review was conducted to summarise and map studies on pain resulting from endotracheal suctioning in paediatric intensive care patients.

How to manage late effects in the survivors of childhood and adolescent cancers

Cancer Nursing Practice. 23, 4, pp. 7-9. 1st July 2024

Nurses can support childhood cancer survivors by assessing and screening for late effects – which may occur beyond treatment – and coordinating complex care

More children are surviving cancer than ever before, but the long-term impacts can remain significant.

Physical health complications in children and young people with avoidant restrictive food intake disorder (ARFID): a systematic review and meta-analysis

BMJ Paediatrics Open; London Vol. 8, 1, (Jul 2024): e002595.

Avoidant restrictive food intake disorder (ARFID) is a feeding and eating disorder with known acute and longstanding physical health complications in children and young people (CYP) and commonly presents to paediatricians.

The experience of children with disabilities and their families during the COVID-19 pandemic: what lessons can we learn?

Paediatrics and Child Health, 2024-07-01, 34, 7, pp. 211-215

In this paper we summarize UK legislation to limit the spread of the virus and describe how services to disabled children changed as a result.

Autism and the HCA, 5: addressing physical health

British Journal of Healthcare Assistants Vol. 18, No. 6 pp. 218-223

This sixth article will explore issues around physical health issues and autism, and how to support autistic patients on the ward, in outpatient and emergency departments, GP practices and community care.

Helping children prepare for invasive procedures: a personalised approach

British Journal of Nursing Vol. 33, No. 13 pp. 646-646



Asthma, classical conditioning, and the autonomic nervous system – a hypothesis for why children wheeze

Archives of Disease in Childhood, 2024;109:462–467

Paediatric asthma is an increasing global healthcare problem for which current treatments are not always effective. This review explores how abnormal triggering of the autonomic diving reflex might be important in explaining research findings and the real-world experience of asthma.

Development of the Children’s ACuTe UltraSound (CACTUS) point-of-care ultrasound (POCUS)-accredited training in the UK: a descriptive study

Archives of Disease in Childhood 2024; 109: pp.543–549.

This article describes the development and launch of the UK’s inaugural accredited paediatric-specific POCUS curriculum and training pathway: the ‘Children’s ACuTe UltraSound’ course, addressing this significant gap in paediatric healthcare education and describing the training delivered and available for paediatricians and allied health professionals working with children

Clinical effectiveness of drop-in mental health services at paediatric hospitals: A non-randomised multi-site study for children and young people and their families – study protocol

PLoS ONE 19(5): e0302878. May 9th 2024

The aim of this prospective non-randomised single-arm multi-centre interventional study is to determine the clinical effectiveness of drop-in mental health services when implemented at paediatric hospitals in England.

Association between exposure to antibiotics during pregnancy or early infancy and risk of autism spectrum disorder, intellectual disorder, language disorder, and epilepsy in children: population based cohort study

BMJ. 2024; 385: e076885.

The Food Foundation | [A neglected generation: reversing the decline in children's health in England](#)

This report highlights the importance of children's dietary health for ensuring their wellbeing. It argues that a lack of policies focused on this area to date has caused the deterioration of children's overall health

Cass Review calls for reformed gender identity services

Lancet, The, 2024-04-20, Volume 403, Issue 10436, Pages 1529-1529

The Cass Review into gender identity services for children and young people will lead to a new holistic model of care within paediatrics in England. By Jacqui Thornton.

Until this month, Hilary Cass, a paediatrician and former President of the Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health, was largely unknown to the public. Now, with the publication of the independent [Cass Review](#), she will forever be remembered for her 388-page report on gender identity services for children and young people that will fundamentally change the way such care is delivered in England.

NHS England | [Children and young people diabetes toolkit](#)

This toolkit is designed to support integrated care systems (ICSs) to design, plan, and deliver high-quality treatment and care for children and young adults aged 0-25 years with all types of diabetes.

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