



**College of Child and Youth Nurses
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Consultation

NZNO consults with members on a range of issues. The full outline can be [found here](#)

Draft Guidance on Staying Mentally Healthy When Working From Home

Over the last year work-from-home has become common for many office workers. NZNO welcomes your feedback on the attached draft guidance from WorkSafe. The guidance has been developed for workers who frequently do office-type work in their home, or an equivalent location, rather than at their business premises. It contains practical steps for managing the mental health risks that can arise from working for home.

Changes to Pharmac's Advisory Committee's

NZNO welcomes your feedback on PHARMAC's proposal to change how committees advise them on medicines and consumer experiences.

New Zealand news

Govt to fund free period products for all school, kura students

All primary, intermediate, secondary school and kura students will have access to free period products from June this year. [Read more](#)

Ethnicity changes the odds for babies with heart defects

There's no shortage of evidence pointing to poorer health outcomes for Māori and Pacific people in Aotearoa. Even for babies with heart defects, ethnicity changes the odds. Here, Dr Simone Watkins, a Sāmoan doctor and PhD student at the Liggins Institute, outlines the problem. [Read more](#)

Gastro bug reported at 11 Wellington early childhood centres

A gastro bug is doing the rounds in early childhood centres across Wellington, health authorities have confirmed. [Read more](#)

Autism and Aspergers

Clinical Levels Of Psychiatric Distress Found Among Parents Of A Child With Autism

A New Study Examines The Mental Health Of Parents Of A Child With Autism Spectrum Disorder (Asd). The Majority Of Participants Had Reached Clinical Levels Of Psychiatric Distress, In Particular Anxiety. And 70 Percent Can Be Classified As 'At Risk' Of A Psychiatric Disorder. [Read more](#)

Youth with autism see sharp decline in physical activity between ages 9-13, study finds

A recent study has found that to best help kids with autism maintain healthy rates of physical activity, interventions should be targeted during the ages of 9 to 13, as that's when kids show the biggest drop in active time. [Read more](#)

Picture books can boost physical activity for youth with autism

While physical activity is important for everyone, research has shown people with developmental disabilities do not exercise as often as their typically developed peers. In an effort to close this disparity, a researcher at the University of Missouri recently created fitness picture books that help youth with autism exercise more frequently while offering low-income families a simple resource for workout motivation when outdoor fitness equipment might not be accessible. [Read more](#)

Behavioural issues

Schools told to consider refusing enrolment of violent children by Principals' Federation

The Principals' Federation has suggested schools defy legally-binding directives to enrol violent children who have been kicked out of other schools. [Read more](#)

Toddler tantrums? Pediatricians offer tips to curb bad behavior

Toddler behavior won't always be good. Outbursts are normal.

Yet, you can also use those aggravating moments to help shape your little one's behavior, according to the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP). [Read more](#)

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Body dysmorphic disorder in children and young people

Chloe Watson and Sasha Ban

British Journal of Nursing, Vol. 30, No. 3: 160-164.

The incidence of body dysmorphic disorder (BDD) in young people is increasing. Causes of BDD are related to the prevalence of social media and adolescent development, especially the role that brain neuroplasticity has on influencing perception. There are long-term impacts of BDD, including depression and suicide. Prevention and promotion of positive body image are part of the nurse's role; treatment can prevent unnecessary aesthetic surgical interventions.

Cancer

Revolutionary drug combination shows potential for treatment of fatal childhood cancer

Every year around 20 Australian children die from the incurable brain tumor, Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma (DIPG). The average age of diagnosis for DIPG is just seven years. There are no effective treatments, and almost all children die from the disease, usually within one year of diagnosis. [Read more](#)

Adolescent/young adult cancer action plan for 2020-2025

More young people living with cancer are surviving, but survivorship is lagging compared to Australia, a report by the Adolescent and Young Adult Cancer Network has found.

[Read more](#)

Clinical practice

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Health care provider's responses to children's resistance to peripheral vein cannulation: A qualitative observational study.

Svendsen, E.J. and Bjørk, I.T. (2021),
J Clin Nurs. <https://doi.org/10.1111/jocn.15681>

Aims and Objectives

Health care and treatment should be voluntary, but restraint is often used during treatment of children. Knowledge about how health care providers respond to preschool children's resistance is lacking and can help understand current paediatric care in hospitals. The aim of the present article was to provide knowledge about how healthcare providers respond to preschool children's resistance during the clinical procedure of peripheral vein cannulation.

Covid-19

Covid-19: Unaccompanied minors as young as 12 in MIQ cause 'child protection concerns' for ...

New Zealand Nurses Organisation organiser Sharleen Rapoto said there were “floods” of children who nurses were having to care for on top of their ... [Read more](#)

Kiwi kids won't be able to get Pfizer Covid-19 vaccine, but expert says it's the right call

The Government gave its formal approval for the vaccination to be used in New Zealand yesterday, but with additional guidelines on who will be able to receive it.

On the list of those who have not been approved to get the jab are those under the age of 16.

But Vaccine Alliance director professor Graham Le Gros this morning told Breakfast it is the right move as trials are still under way on how the Pfizer vaccination affects children.

[Read more](#)

How Auckland children are being affected by another lockdown

It has been a year since New Zealand's first case of Covid-19, with more than a quarter of a million Auckland school students now spending their ninth week learning from home in lockdown. [Read more](#)

Mathematical modeling suggests kids half as susceptible to COVID-19 as adults

A new computational analysis suggests that people under the age of 20 are about half as susceptible to COVID-19 infection as adults, and they are less likely to infect others

[Read more](#)

Covid-19: Children less likely to report fever, persistent cough, or appetite loss, large UK study finds

BMJ 2021; 372 doi: <https://doi.org/10.1136/bmj.n408> (Published 10 February 2021)

Young people aged five to 17 with covid-19 are less likely to report fever, persistent cough, or appetite loss than adults, according to a UK study of more than a million people.

[Read more](#)

Paediatric presentations to Christchurch Hospital Emergency Department during COVID-19 lockdown.

Bothara, R.K., Raina, A., Carne, B., Walls, T., McCombie, A., Ardagh, M.W. and Joyce, L.R. (2021),

J Paediatr Child Health. <https://doi.org/10.1111/jpc.15347>

To describe the variation in volumes and types of paediatric presentations to a tertiary emergency department in New Zealand during the national level 4 lockdown for COVID-19.

[Read more](#)

Diabetes

Study: Children with Type 1 diabetes have lower brain volume, verbal IQ, and overall IQ

Brain volume, verbal IQ, and overall IQ are lower in children with Type 1 diabetes (T1D) than in children without diabetes, according to a new longitudinal study published in Diabetes Care, a journal of the American Diabetes Association. [Read more](#)

Using telehealth for rural paediatric diabetics: Does it deliver good care?.

Williams, M. (2021),

J Paediatr Child Health, 57: 109-113. <https://doi.org/10.1111/jpc.15149>

To evaluate rural paediatric diabetic telehealth clinics including whether they meet clinical standards, provide equivalent care to central clinics, families were satisfied and difficulties were encountered. [Read more](#)

Pasifika prediabetes youth empowerment programme: evaluating a co-designed community-based intervention from a participants' perspective,

Ridvan Firestone, Gavin Faeamani, Elizabeth Okiakama, ... et al (2021)

Kōtuitui: New Zealand Journal of Social Sciences

Online, DOI: [10.1080/1177083X.2021.1876743](https://doi.org/10.1080/1177083X.2021.1876743)

This paper provides insights from a community-centre intervention study that was co-designed by youth, health providers and researchers. The aims of the paper were to highlight the effectiveness of a co-designed community centred diabetes prevention intervention, and to determine whether a culturally tailored approach was successful.

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Diet, food and nutrition

Kiwi kids consume five unhealthy snacks a day - research

On average, 12-year-old children snack on unhealthy food and beverages five times a day, according to new research from the University of Otago. [Read more](#)

Food hardship in NZ children's early years revealed in study

About half the families in a study of 6000 children struggled to afford healthy food during the first year of life of their babies. [Read more](#)

Pacific children on frontline of global nutrition crisis

The world is on the brink of a nutrition crisis and Pacific children living on the frontlines of the Covid-19 pandemic and the climate change crisis are most at risk. [Read more](#)

School gardens linked with kids eating more vegetables

Getting children to eat their vegetables can seem like an insurmountable task, but nutrition researchers at The University of Texas at Austin have found one way: school gardens and lessons on using what's grown in them. Researchers worked with 16 elementary schools across Central Texas to install vegetable gardens and teach classes to students and parents about nutrition and cooking. [Read more](#)

Epilepsy

Children with epilepsy experience poor, disrupted sleep

Children with epilepsy sleep poorly compared to healthy children, and are more likely to experience disruptions such as night terrors, sleep walking or sleep disordered breathing, according to a new study. [Read more](#)

Health literacy

HealthLit4Kids: Supporting schools to be health literacy responsive organisations.

Elmer, S, Nash, R, Kemp, N, Coleman, C, Wyss, M, Roach, J.

Health Promot J Austral. 2021; 32: 17– 28. <https://doi.org/10.1002/hpja.412>

To reduce inequity, services and community organisations must respond to the health literacy needs and strengths of each individual accessing their services. As a social determinant, health literacy is compounded by interactions between the service provider, the individual, and their wider community. Schools provide a critical nexus between the teacher (as service provider), the student (as learner) and their family (carers and wider community) to support the development of children's health literacy. [Read more](#)

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Association of electronic health literacy with health-promoting behaviours in adolescents.

Korkmaz Aslan, G, Kartal, A, Turan, T, Taşdemir Yiğitoğlu, G, Kocakabak, C.

Int J Nurs Pract. 2021;e12921. <https://doi.org/10.1111/ijn.12921>

This study aimed to determine the electronic health (e-health) literacy level of high school students and its relationship with their health-promoting behaviours.

Housing

Housing crisis: More than 4,000 NZ children living in motels

There are now more than 4000 children growing up in motels across New Zealand, devastating parents who are desperate to find a permanent place for their kids to live.

[Read more](#)

Maternity and neonatal care

Baby mortality for young Māori, Pacific, Indian mothers needs urgent action - report

A newly released maternity mortality report has found unacceptable levels of maternal deaths for specific ethnic groups. [Read more](#)

Real-Time Continuous Glucose Monitoring in Infants is Promising Intervention

Real-time continuous glucose monitoring (CGM) of preterm [infants](#) may help reduce exposure to prolonged or severe [hyperglycemia](#) and hypoglycemia, according to findings from a new study [Read more](#)

NICU and postpartum nurse perspectives on involving fathers in newborn care: a qualitative study.

Buek, K.W., Cortez, D. & Mandell, D.J.

BMC Nurs 20, 35 (2021). <https://doi.org/10.1186/s12912-021-00553-y>

Perinatal care nurses are well positioned to provide the education and support new fathers need to navigate the transition to fatherhood and to encourage positive father involvement from the earliest hours of a child's life. To effectively serve fathers in perinatal settings, it is important to understand the attitudes, beliefs, and behaviors of healthcare providers that may encourage and engage them, or alternatively alienate and discourage them.

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Neonatal Golden Hour: A survey of Australian and New Zealand Neonatal Network units' early stabilisation practices for very preterm infants.

Hodgson, K.A., Owen, L.S., Lui, K. and Shah, V. (2021),
J Paediatr Child Health. <https://doi.org/10.1111/jpc.15360>

To identify current 'Golden Hour' practices for initial stabilisation of very preterm infants <32 weeks' gestational age (GA) within tertiary neonatal intensive care units (NICUs) in the Australian and New Zealand Neonatal Network (ANZNN).

Mental health

Depression, anxiety and panic attacks: Students' demand for mental health support rising

Concerns over exam results, job uncertainty and the ongoing impact of [Covid-19](#) will result in more young people seeking help for a range of mental health issues, a New Zealand support service says. [Read more](#)

Partnering to support children as mental health stats decline - Life Educations Trust

Life Education Trust NZ and Anxiety NZ have come together to support young people's mental health and wellbeing to thrive. Launching new initiative Healthy Minds, they aim to empower young people to grow their hauora and meet challenges with resilience.

[Read more](#)

Services for rainbow youth get \$4 million boost from govt

Mental health services for young people from the rainbow community will receive a boost of \$4 million over four years. [Read more](#)

[Fortnightly email to remove barrier to kids asking for mental health help](#)

It takes courage to speak up about your mental health but an email a fortnight could remove that barrier for hundreds of thousands of young Kiwis. [Read more](#)

Mentally ill kids become less healthy adults

A new pair of studies from a Duke research team's long-term work in New Zealand make the case that mental health struggles in early life can lead to poorer physical health and advanced aging in adulthood. [Read more](#)

Youth mental health funding boost of \$10m 'small start' amid 'tsunami of need'

Koiauruterangi Fraser says taking part in a kaupapa Māori adventure therapy programme helped give him confidence to pursue basketball more seriously.

[Read more](#)

Coroner recommends new model of care for at-risk kids after 15-year-old's suicide

A coroner has made a range of recommendations – including a new model of care for children and young people at significant risk of self-harm and suicide – following the suicide of a 15-year-old girl. [Read more](#)

What is childhood dementia?

Childhood dementia is more common than you might think. It is estimated that 1 in 2,800 children are born with a disorder that, if untreated, leads to childhood dementia: that is more common than well-known disorders like Cystic Fibrosis. There are over 70 types of childhood dementia and less than 5 percent of them have effective treatments. None have a cure. [Read more](#)

Obesity

Gut bugs making obese teenagers healthier

Researchers at the University of Auckland's [Liggins Institute](#) have been looking at what happens when gut bacteria from healthy teenagers is introduced, in capsule form, to severely overweight teens' digestive systems. [Read more](#)

We can't prevent childhood obesity by education alone: lessons from the evidence base

Childhood obesity is a major public health challenge which needs effective prevention and treatment strategies. It is widely agreed that obesity is caused by multiple, complex factors – the majority of which are outside an individual's control. These include the environments that we live in, the people that we socialise with, media and marketing influence, our genetics, and our individual decisions. [Read more](#)

Clinical strategies for addressing obesity in infants and toddlers,

Graf, Michelle D.; Karp, Sharon M.; Lutenbacher, Melanie; ... et al

The Nurse Practitioner: February 2021 - Volume 46 - Issue 2 - p 28-33 doi: 10.1097/01.NPR.0000731552.88748.57

Babies' earliest food experiences have a lifelong impact on eating preferences and dietary habits, laying the foundation for obesity risk. NPs have the opportunity to provide education about healthy infant feeding practices before the growth trajectory becomes abnormal and focus intensive education on at-risk families. [Read more](#)

Healthier Together: Co-design of a culturally tailored childhood obesity community prevention program for Māori & Pacific Islander children and families.

Hardt, J, Canfell, OJ, Walker, JL, et al.

Health Promot J Austral. 2021; 32: 143– 154. <https://doi.org/10.1002/hpja.438>

Children of Māori & Pacific Islander descent living in Australia have a greater prevalence of overweight/obesity and an increased risk of adverse health outcomes. This study aimed to co-design Healthier Together, a community-based, childhood overweight/obesity prevention program tailored to Māori & Pacific Islander cultures. [Read more](#)

Oranga Tamariki

Oranga Tamariki beyond repair, but care needed over replacement, Waitangi Tribunal told

There is no other way to stop tamariki Māori being disproportionately taken into state care than to disestablish Oranga Tamariki, the Waitangi Tribunal has been told during closing submissions for the urgent inquiry into the child protection agency. [Read more](#)

Palliative care

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Children's palliative care: examination of a nursing rotation programme

International Journal of Palliative Nursing, Vol. 27, No. 1: 20-29.

An 8-month rotation programme was implemented for five nurses employed in two kinds of children's palliative care environments: hospital wards and hospices. This study reports the views of the nurses completing the rotation. The research drew on appreciative inquiry and involved a pre- and post-rotation interview and questionnaire. Thematic analysis of the interviews revealed seven themes: adjusting to the rotation programme; support mechanisms; being safe; new knowledge and skills; knowledge exchange; misconceptions; future plans. These were supported by the questionnaire findings. Although the nurses

identified some frustration at having to undertake competency assessments relating to previously acquired skills, as well as being out of their 'comfort zone', all the participants highly recommended the programme. They commented very positively on the support they received and the overall learning experience as well as the new insight into different aspects of care. In addition, they were able to share their newfound knowledge and expertise with others.

Developing a nursing dependency scoring tool for children's palliative care: the impact on hospice care

Michael Tatterton, Catherine Martin, Clare Moore, and Charlotte Walker
International Journal of Palliative Nursing, Vol. 27, No. 1: 37-45

Background:

Occupancy is commonly used to measure bed management in hospices. However, the increasing complexity of children and young people and growing dependence on technology mean that this is no longer effective.

Aim:

To develop a dependency tool that enables the hospice to safely and effectively manage the use of beds for planned short breaks (respite care), preserving capacity for children requiring symptom management and end-of-life care.

Parenting

The article below is not freely available but may be available via a DHB library, the NZNO library or an academic library.

Review of Recent Research about Parenting Generation Z Pre-Teen Children.

Oerther S, Oerther DB.

Western Journal of Nursing Research. January 2021. doi:[10.1177/0193945920988782](https://doi.org/10.1177/0193945920988782)

The purpose of this scoping review is to provide a timely update of available research describing parents' perspectives of parenting pre-teen children of Generation Z (born 1997 through 2012). The databases of Ovid MEDLINE, CINAHL, SCOPUS, Web of Science, JUSTOR, and PsycINFO were searched using a combination of key words for manuscripts published in English. A limited collection of scientific literature documented experiences of parents, practices of parenting, styles of parenting, and interventions that influence parenting of Generation Z pre-teen children among various groups of parents. Although an emerging body of literature on parenting pre-teen children of Generation Z was identified, future research should consider systematic sample selection to further explore the roles of cultural and psychosocial factors that influence parents' perspectives of parenting "digital natives" in homes around the world.

Respiratory

Asthma & COPD Fundamentals eLearning Course

This course was developed by the Asthma and Respiratory Foundation NZ and Whitireia NZ. The modules have been created to align with the latest New Zealand best practice guidelines: NZ Adolescent and Adult Asthma Guidelines 2020, the revised NZ Child Asthma Guidelines, and the NZ COPD Guidelines 2021.

The Asthma and COPD Fundamentals eLearning series has been endorsed by the College of Nurses Aotearoa (NZ) Inc for 12 CPD (continuing professional development) hours.

The programme consists of 4 online eLearning modules. [Read more](#)

School nursing

This is How COVID Has Changed My Job as a School Nurse (USA)

The year 2020 has changed what it means to be a nurse. It has elevated our strength, compassion, expertise, and shown the world that nurses are instrumental not only in guiding

a nation through a pandemic, but communities and hospitals would collapse without us. [Read more](#)

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School nurses' engagement and care ethics in promoting adolescent health.

Hilli Y, Pedersen G.

Nursing Ethics. March 2021. doi:[10.1177/0969733020985145](https://doi.org/10.1177/0969733020985145)

Background:

The school is a key environment for establishing good health habits among pupils. School nurses play a prominent role in health promotion, since they meet with every single adolescent.

Research aim:

To describe care ethics in the context of school nurses' health-promoting activities among adolescents in secondary schools.

Sexuality/Sexual health

New Zealand's 'first study of the safety and benefits of puberty blockers' - Otago Uni

For some people, their innate sense of self doesn't fit with their biological sex. Any distress this causes is particularly heightened during puberty, but medication used to help is controversial. [Read more](#)

Sexual attraction and substance use - findings from the Youth Insights Survey 2016-2018

"Adolescence is a developmental period of exploration for both sexuality and substance use. Young people with diverse sexual orientations are disproportionately affected by substance use. This research was undertaken to better understand young people in the Rainbow community. This brief report explores the relationship between sexual attraction and substance use in Year 10 students (predominately aged 14 to 15 years). It identifies differences of risky behaviour engagement between Rainbow and non-Rainbow young people using pooled data from the 2016 and 2018 Youth Insights Survey." Source: Te Hiringa Hauora Health Promotion Agency (New Zealand) [Read more](#)

Social health

Children still living in poverty but number of whānau struggling to provide the basics drops - Stats NZ

There has been little annual change in the number of children living in poverty across most measures, but there has been a drop in the number of whānau struggling to provide the basics. [Read more](#)

High number of Pasifika children experience material hardship

Statistics NZ's latest official child poverty figures show Māori and Pacific children were higher across almost all measures, compared with all children. [Read more](#)

Sound and vision

Evidence Brief No. 22 - Supporting school aged children with Developmental Language Disorder (DLD)

DLD is a lifelong condition. People with DLD may require access to speech and language therapy services at different stages throughout their lifetime, particularly at transition points including preschool to primary school, primary school to high school and high school to further education.

However, in Australia supports for students with DLD are limited within public education settings. This is likely the result of poor public awareness of DLD by parents, teachers, and policymakers, as well as the heterogeneous nature of DLD. [Read more](#)

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The Developmental Benefits of Allowing Deaf Children With Cochlear Implants Early Access to Sign Language,

Johnson, Mckenna BA

Infants & Young Children: April/June 2021 - Volume 34 - Issue 2 - p 141-155 doi: 10.1097/IYC.000000000000185

This review addresses the question of how early access to sign language influences the development of deaf children with cochlear implants (CIs) by examining the literature surrounding the topic across the domains of spoken/written language development, cognitive development, and sociocultural development. Although research in the realm of language development is mixed, there appear to be few potential detriments to sign language access that may not be mediated by other aspects, such as age of implantation. Early sign language access, furthermore, shows potential to prevent developmental delays in general as well as specific cognitive functioning, and the current article speculates that claiming a Deaf identity (to which sign language is vital) may act as a protective factor against the stress of stigma surrounding hearing loss. Based on the relative insufficiency of current research to offer undisputable long-term concerns regarding the impact of sign language on development, as well as the existing evidence that suggests that early access to sign language may act as a protective factor against delays in multiple developmental domains, this review concludes that the potential benefits of allowing deaf children with CIs early and comprehensive access to sign language outweigh any possible risks.

Sport and exercise

Preschoolers with higher cardiorespiratory fitness do better on cognitive tests

Researchers report that 4-6-year-old children who walk further than their peers during a timed test - a method used to estimate cardiorespiratory health - also do better on cognitive tests and other measures of brain function. The study suggests that the link between cardiorespiratory fitness and cognitive health is evident even earlier in life than previously appreciated. [Read more](#)

Active kids: evaluation protocol for a universal voucher program to increase children's participation in organised physical activity and sport.

Reece LJ, Foley B, Bellew W, Owen K, Cushway D, Srinivasan N, Hamdorf P, Bauman A. Public Health Res Pract. 2020; Online early publication.

Study type: This paper presents the protocol for evaluation of the Active Kids program, including an assessment of program impact on children's organised sport participation and recreational physical activity level, and analysis of the correlates of participation at individual, state and national levels. [Read more](#)

Vaccination / immunisation

EIT students to be offered Measles catch-up at orientation

EIT students taking part in orientation activities this week will also be offered on-the-spot Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR) immunisations to help with the nation's catch-up campaign. [Read more](#)

Articles of interest

Study evaluates quality of life and the burden of care with Prader-Willi syndrome

Researchers from the School of Medicine at Trinity have evaluated the impact of the rare genetic disorder, Prader-Willi syndrome on the quality of life of the affected child, and their family. [Read more](#)

Children with same-sex parents do better at school than their peers

Children with same-sex parents get higher scores on standardised tests than children with different-sex parents. This is the key finding from our study published today in the journal Demography. [Read more](#)

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The effects of facility dogs on burnout, job-related well-being, and mental health in pediatric hospital professionals.

Jensen, C.L., Bibbo, J., Rodriguez, K.E. and O’Haire, M.E. (2021),
J Clin Nurs. Accepted Author Manuscript. <https://doi.org/10.1111/jocn.15694>
Aims and objectives

The present study aimed to examine the effect of working with a facility dog on pediatric healthcare professionals’ work-related burnout, job perceptions, and mental health.

Background

Due to their roles caring for ill children and distressed families, pediatric healthcare professionals often experience substantial depression and burnout. According to prior research, facility dogs in children’s hospitals may provide significant benefits to pediatric patients. However, their potential effects on healthcare professionals have been minimally explored.

Characteristics of paediatric frequent presenters at emergency departments: A whole-of-population study.

Procter, A.M., Gialamas, A., Pilkington, R.M., Montgomerie, A., Chittleborough, C.R., Smithers, L.G. and Lynch, J.W. (2021),
J Paediatr Child Health, 57: 64-72. <https://doi.org/10.1111/jpc.15119>

To quantify the frequency of emergency department (ED) presentations and profile the socio-demographic, health and presentation characteristics of paediatric ED frequent presenters.

Surgeon's practices and beliefs in Australia and New Zealand regarding the donor site wound for paediatric skin grafts.

McBride, C.A., Patel, B., Kimble, R.M. and Stockton, K.A. (2021),
J Paediatr Child Health, 57: 58-63. <https://doi.org/10.1111/jpc.15117>

Children's burns care in Australasia is performed by paediatric surgeons and by plastic surgeons. The aim was to determine practices regarding the donor site wound (DSW), and to explore any differences by training scheme or nature of unit (paediatric vs. mixed).

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