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Indian Journal of Emergency Pediatrics (IJEP) has just published the second issue supported by a high-powered National and International Advisory Board of editors.

This issue includes a special feature on Indian National Snakebite Management Protocol 2008, review article on children presenting to emergency with psychiatric problems, and three mini reviews on Ketotic hypoglycemia, Solvent abuse and Neonatal shock. An interesting case of an Inborn Error of Metabolism is also published. Lessons learnt from snakebite emergencies and Anti Snake Venom (ASV) usage has been examined critically in an Invited Commentary on Global issues on snakebite.

Everyday is an education and a lot of children need our help. Psychiatry Emergency Services (PES) for children offer complicated emotional experiences which are heartbreaking but at times absurd. Crisis intervention is an integral part of psychiatric care. It is not just medication of agitated children but interviewing techniques, crisis management and cultural issues. Children with psychiatric problems often present with somatic complaints and at times of family crisis. Early identification can reduce prolonged investigations. Given their demanding schedule, the Journal is appreciative of the contribution from the Psychiatry Faculty in this issue. Pediatricians should develop basic skills and be aware of the range of therapies available for acutely disturbed child, problem parents, night terrors and future trends.

This Journal is a fully refereed and peer reviewed one which provides pediatricians and other scholars with a new space to publish high quality interdisciplinary research on pediatric emergency protocols and which aims to facilitate critical debate on relevant issues on the subject.

I solicit original, high quality research papers, especially those working at the unstudied aspects. A list of research topics which the Editorial Board is looking for will be made available on request.

The Journal is now inviting papers for consideration in preparation for third issue. Submissions should be sent electronically by not later than the end of February 2010 (smaha1232@rediffmail.com). Your feedback on the issues will help us grow. Do send them.

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