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Review of MC evidence in current issue of sBMJ

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FYI, this comprehensive review has just been published in the student

British Medical Journal:

"Male circumcision: time to re-examine the evidence" http://www.studentbmj.com/issues/06/05/editorials/179.php

Stef really gets most of the credit for this effort.

(Stef, one thing I can't figure out is where/how to find the references, do you know?)

Cheers,

Daniel

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"Halperin, Daniel \(PRETORIA/RHAP\)" <dhalperin@...> tomcoates20000 @ Offline Send Email Ed.

Thanks for sending the list, very impressive! You are clearly The Expert

in this field...

BTW, what about the evidence on MC and prostate cancer?...

Cheers,

Daniel

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Subject: My Recent circ pubs

Folks - Some of you have asked me about my recent and pending publications on circ. In 2005 I had an article in Arch Dis Child which

was an invited Commentary on infant UTI s - this is interesting because

of the resistance of the British medical establishment to circumcision-

the authors discovered that uncirc infants have 10X the risk of UTIs . a

fact established 20 years ago by Tom W and confirmed by multiple studies

since,

However they seemed oblivious to other benefits of circ, which I pointed

out in my commentary. My book was published in May 2005, and many of you

have seen it. This year there was a Cost Analysis paper in J Urol published in March 2006, which many of you also have seen. In Jan 2006 I

had a letter in J Urol on the increasing prevalence of circ in the US which Had been shown by Nelson=- I cited multiple surveys in the US

which indicate the prevalence of circ in the US is about 80%, much higher than is generally recognized - the difference is postneonatal circ (about 10%) and failure to code newborn circs (about 15%), which

leads to an official underestimate, There are 2 publications pending. One is a Commentary criticizing the policy of the $\Lambda\Lambda P$ - this will be published in Pediatrics within the next few months. The second is a letter commenting on Van Howe's recent article in Clinical

Pediatrics on

"meatal stenosis" - this also has been accepted and will be published within the next few months. I am attaching some of this material.

One of the problems in getting across the multiple benefits of circ is that they involve many disciplines and each interest group has blinders

on and only sees that benefit that concerns them. I find this true in the communications I receive from many of you. The best illustration is

the preventive benefit against HIV acquisition, which is by far the most

important world effect, particularly in sub-Saharan Africa. Many of you

are concerned with this effect naturally , but there is a lack of knowledge about the other 10 benefits of circ among the HIV investigators. Similarly in the US where HIV is not the greatest problem, particularly among heterosexual middle cl;ass parents - to them

the important points are the prevention of infant UTIs and genital cleanliness. To illustrate the great preponderance of benefits over risk, increasingly apparent within the past few years, with many thanks

to the work of Xavier C., I am attaching a slide I show at lectures - 11

evidence-based benefits, the only risk being that of complications which

everyone agrees are rare and usually minor if the procedure is properly

performed by experienced operators. I am also attaching a bibliography

just of my publications on citcumcision.

All the best, Ed

(See attached file: Benefits of Circ 4 o6.ppt)(See attached file: CIRCUMCISION references o3 o1 o6.doc)

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