

Stellingen behorend bij het proefschrift

SHADOWS OF THE PAST

Does neonatal morphine use foreshadow neuropsychological functioning, stress response and pain sensitivity at primary school age?

1. Morphine given in a continuous dose of 10 mcg/kg/h does not affect the development of the brain, neither the stress system nor alters detection- and pain thresholds (this thesis).
2. Being admitted to a NICU is associated with higher cortisol levels at 5 years of age, independent of postconceptional age (this thesis).
3. Children with a history of painful experiences during hospital admission as a neonate have no more chronic pain complaints than children in the general Dutch population (this thesis).
4. As study site and IQ are significant covariables of TSA assessment standardization of quantitative sensory testing methodology is needed (this thesis).
5. All mechanically ventilated neonates should take part in the neonatal follow-up program, independent of their gestational age (this thesis).
6. Children admitted to an ICU whose parents were present are more likely to receive pharmacologic and nonpharmacologic interventions in case of tissue-damaging procedures (Céleste Johnston, Clin J Pain. 2011; 27:225-232).
7. Very young children's learning and thinking are strikingly similar to much learning and thinking in science (Alison Gopnik, Science. 2012 Sep 28;337(6102):1623-7).
8. We plakken patiënten veel etiketten op terwijl we het brein niet begrijpen (Jim van Os, hoogleraar psychiatrische epidemiologie, Maastricht University Medical Centre, TROUW 26 januari 2013).
9. Ziekenhuizen werken vanuit praktische principes: het moet handig en efficiënt zijn. Het bewustzijn dat er een belangrijk hechtingsproces gaande is tussen ouder en kind staat vaak op de achtergrond (Marianne Riksen-Walraven, www.kindenziekenhuis.nl).
10. Getting things right the first time is more efficient and ultimately more effective than trying to fix them later (National Scientific Council on the Developing Child, Harvard University 2007).
11. Een rups kan je niet laten vliegen, hoezeer de potentie van het vliegen er vanaf het begin af aan in zit (Rit Vinck , Dit ben ik! ...Zie jij mij? Garant Uitgevers, 2007).

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