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# "Children Are Not Little Adults!"

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The California Chapter of the American Academy of Emergency Medicine with course director Dr. Joanne Williams is presenting for the second year in a row the "Children Are Not Little Adults!" pediatric emergencies preconference course.

> "Children Are Not Little Adults!" Pediatric Emergencies Conference 14 February 2010 8am-5pm Cesar's Palace Las Vegas, Nevada

An ED visit can be a life-changing event for a child. Children and adolescents account for nearly a third of hospital emergency department visits. This patient population has unique physical characteristics that require special care and equipment. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, fewer than 6% of Emergency Departments have on hand all the pediatric equipment recommended by the American Academy of Pediatrics. A recent report on Pediatric emergency care by the Institute of Medicine found that many providers don't know how to properly stabilize seriously injured or ill children or fail to recognize cases of child abuse. This course will serve as a venue in which the Emergency Physician may fine tune and polish their skills in the assessment and management of pediatric emergencies. Topics include, but are not limited to, abdominal pain in children, pediatric airway management, pain management and sedation, trauma, pediatric emergency ultrasound, pediatric poisoning, neonatal emergencies, child abuse and maltreatment.

