

Meeting the Needs of Parents and Pediatric Patients: Results of a Survey on Primary Nocturnal Enuresis

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Summary: Primary nocturnal enuresis (PNE) affects about 7 million children and adolescents in the United States. A telephone survey of 745 parents/guardians of children aged 3 to 14 years was conducted to determine their knowledge and attitudes about PNE. Most did not know that PNE is a physical problem. Although 82% would want healthcare providers to discuss PNE with them if their child older than 6 years wet the bed, most would be uncomfortable initiating the dialogue. According to parents, healthcare providers either never or rarely discuss PNE. For the benefit of their young patients, healthcare providers must initiate discussion about PNE.

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