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*Journal of Epidemiology & Community Health | RMD Open*

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*Evidence-Based Mental Health | Journal of Medical Ethics*
*Journal of Neurology, Neurosurgery & Psychiatry*

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BMJ continues to drive open access to medical research with new multispecialty journal, BMJ Medicine (PR)

Global healthcare knowledge provider, BMJ, continues to drive open access to medical research with new multispecialty journal | Mirage News Australia 28/07/21

PATCHWORK HEALTH RAISES £3.5M TO END NHS STAFF BURNOUT | Business Leader 29/07/21
Also in: Insider Media

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Investigation: Has the billion dollar crusade to eradicate polio come to an end? (PR)

WHO's plans for a Wuhan probe at a crossroads | Politico 29/07/21
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Further coverage for ultra-processed food and IBD (PR)
Ultra-Processed Food Consumption Could Increase Irritable Bowel Syndrome Risk: Study | AboutLawsuits.com 27/07/21
Also in: Everyday Health

Further coverage for omega 3 rich diet and headaches (PR)
Omega-3s Ease Migraine Pain | The Doctor Will See You Now 26/07/21

Further coverage for lack of evidence for orthopaedic procedures (PR)
Most Orthopedic Joint Surgery Lacks Scientific Justification | Medscape 26/07/21

Further coverage for US life expectancy (PR)
U.S. Life Expectancy Faced its Biggest Drop since WWII | Occupational Health & Safety 26/07/21
Also in: India Press Agency

Further coverage of low carb diet and diabetes remission (PR)
Diabetes type 2: GP helps over 100 patients reverse diabetes - key dietary tips | Daily Express 27/07/21
Also in: New York Times Post, Business Telegraph, Today News Post

Further coverage of vegetarian diet and heart disease (PR)
The guilt-free guide to enjoying red meat | Daily Mail 26/07/21
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Study of 48,000 Kids with COVID Comes to Damning Conclusion as Mortality Rate for Group Sits at Zero (mentions Head to Head: Should we vaccinate children against covid?) | The Western Journal 27/07/21
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Can exercise slow down cancer? The Times 27/07/21
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Indians turn to crowdfunding to pay Covid bills BBC News 28/07/21
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5 KEY FACTS ABOUT COVID-19 VACCINES THAT PREGNANT WOMEN NEED TO KNOW The Independent 31/07/21
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A coffee a day can help keep dementia at bay Daily Mail 31/07/21
Can I get a false positive on a lateral flow test? How accurate rapid Covid testing results are inews 01/07/21

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Clinical Science: Corneal confocal microscopy identifies corneal nerve fibre loss and increased dendritic cells in patients with long COVID (PR)

Eyes may signal 'long Covid': Study Times of India 27/07/21
Eye Scan Could Determine Which COVID Patients Could Struggle With Symptoms Newsweek 28/07/21
COVID SCIENCE-Nerve changes in eyes can help confirm 'long COVID' Daily Mail 28/07/21

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**Gut**

*Research: Underdevelopment of the gut microbiota and bacteria species as non-invasive markers of prediction in children with autism spectrum disorder (PR)*

*Children with autism have unique collection of healthy gut bacteria* UPI 28/07/21


*Sugary Drinks Are Linked to Greater Risk of Early-Onset Colorectal Cancer* Everyday Health 26/07/21 (Previous PR)

*Liver transplant a safe option after recovery from COVID-19* MD Alert 29/07/21

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*Urgent need’ for age restrictions on TikTok vaping videos, Australian study finds* The Guardian 26/07/21

*Children exposed to increasing number of TikTok vaping videos* The Australian 26/07/21


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Philip Morris Calls for UK Cigarette Ban (So Smokers Will Buy Its Hot Tobacco Sticks Instead). Gizmodo 27/07/21

Also in: MSN Health & Fitness

Tobacco use sees dip in Bollywood films: study The Hindu 27/07/21

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Research: Comparative four year risk and type of hospital admission among homeless and housed emergency department attendees: longitudinal study of hospital records in England 2013-2018 (External PR)

Homelessness linked to emergency hospital admissions MyScience.org 29/07/21

Also in: mashupmd, Mirage News, National Tribune (AU), Medical Xpress, Univadis

Research: Adolescent mental health difficulties and educational attainment: findings from the UK household longitudinal study (External PR)

Pupils with poor mental health ‘three times more likely not to pass five GCSEs’ ITV News 26/07/21

Homelessness up among mentally ill, Scottish Labour warns Morning Star 26/07/21


Research: Development of a healthcare system COVID Hotspotting Score in California: an observational study with prospective validation (External PR)

New tool for early identification of COVID-19 surges Markets Insider 26/07/21


I was bitten by a tick and it ruined my life Scottish Sun 26/07/21 (print) (Previous PR, misattrib The BMJ)

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companies and the role of company size, location and product type: a cross-sectional descriptive analysis (External PR)

Researchers find gaps in clinical trial data sharing  Medical Xpress 31/07/21
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When employers don't heed mental health, workers' risk of depression goes up: study  Safety + Health Magazine 30/07/21

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Sleep apnea increases risk of sudden death, cardiovascular conditions  National Tribune (Australia) 28/07/21

Mental health needs of frontline nurses ‘not met during pandemic’  Nursing Times 28/07/21

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Rent, mortgage linked to worse health outcomes during early stages of pandemic  Mirage News Australia 27/07/21
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The Impact of Social Stress on Fracture Risk in Postmenopausal Women  Physician’s Weekly 26/07/21 (Previous PR)

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Anti-SSA, anti-SSB antibodies low in RA patients wishing to conceive  Medical Xpress 28/07/21

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How Severe Is Your Psoriasis?  WebMD The Magazine 27/07/21

Back Pain and Smoking  HealthDay 31/07/21
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Who is David Faber married to? The Sun US 30/07/21
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Further coverage for Bell’s palsy after COVID jab (PR)
Shot link to facial paralysis Daily Express 26/07/21 (Print)

Women Report Unexpected Pfizer COVID-19 Vaccine Side Effect: Bigger Breasts IBT
Australia 27/07/21
Also in: 7New.au, Daily Express, News Magazine

Newborn baby's twin discovered growing inside of her stomach by stunned doctors Daily Star 01/08/21 (Misattrib The BMJ)

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Further coverage for health effects of lockdown vs COVID-19 (PR)
Restrictions do no more harm to health than the disease itself TekDeeps 25/07/21

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A diet based on vegetables and fish is associated with a lower severity of covid-19 Explica.co 26/07/21 (Previous PR)

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Doctors Need Training on DNACPR Discussions: Study Medscape 26/07/21

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Exercise after Covid-19 recovery The Star Malaysia 25/07/21 (Previous PR) (Print)

Can exercise slow down cancer? The Times 27/07/21

More Exercise Could Lessen Your Sleep Problems, New Research Suggests Runner’s World 29/07/21 (Previous PR)
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Spotlight: Abnormal heart rhythms COVER 30/07/21 (Previous PR)

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Key to kids getting better grades in math — is more active gym classes? Study Finds 31/07/21

Olympics: Athletes emboldened to speak out as mental health issues take spotlight The Straits Times 31/07/21
Also in: Bloomberg News, Runner’s World, Vietnam Explorer

Why women are owning the podium for Canada at the Tokyo Olympics National Post Canada 31/07/21
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Openly Trans Athlete Thanks Olympic Committee for ’Making Sport Inclusive and Accessible’ Christian Broadcasting Network 01/08/21 (Previous PR)
Also in: Faithwire, Daily Advent, Conservative Angle
Fairness vs. inclusion: Can Olympic leaders find balance in new rules for transgender athletes? USA Today 01/08/21
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Child mental health services lacking in high-income countries: SFU study finds Health Medicine Network 26/07/21

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Why America needs direct democracy The National Interest 26/07/21
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The dark side of transgenderism: Moral monsters are mutilating children without parental involvement Washington Examiner 31/07/21
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Leaders tackle global question of how to persuade people to get Covid jab The Guardian 01/08/21 (Previous PR)
Also in: BioEdge, Yahoo UK News, Washington Latest

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Sleep and Amyloid; Bone Loss and Cognition; Invasive Stim for Cluster Headache MedPage Today 27/07/21

Further coverage for precursor signs of stroke many years earlier (PR)
Signs of cognitive, functional decline may precede first stroke by 10 years McKnight’s Long Term Care News 27/07/21