Survey

Acquired demyelinating syndromes of the central nervous system (CNS)

Starting April 1, 2004, the CPSP will begin surveillance for a new study on acquired demyelinating syndromes (ADS) of the CNS.

This pre-study survey is designed to increase awareness and clarify the multiple presentations and complexities of these serious conditions in children and youth characterized by:

- acute loss of vision – optic neuritis
- loss of function of the spinal cord – transverse myelitis
- acute neurological deficit due to demyelination
- encephalopathy and multifocal symptomatology – acute disseminated encephalomyelitis (ADEM)

Many children will recover from these conditions, others will experience permanent neurological deficits, and a small portion will develop the recurrent demyelinating disease, multiple sclerosis.

Please take a few moments to answer the following:

1. In the past two years, have you cared for any patient less than 18 years of age with acquired demyelination of the CNS?
   - No ☐  Yes ☐  If yes, how many? ______

2. Did you consider the possibility that the child might develop recurrent demyelination such as multiple sclerosis?
   - No ☐  Yes ☐

3. Were any of these children subsequently diagnosed with multiple sclerosis?
   - No ☐  Yes ☐  If yes, how many? ______

Please return this survey with your monthly reporting form.

Thank you for your participation.

02/2004