## Teens \& Sleep

LINKING DISCOVERY, PRACTICE, AND POLICY

## Impact of Inadequate Sleep on Adolescent Health

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## Why Care?



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- Adolescent health affects adult health
- Adolescent onset of mental health conditions
- High school impacts long-term finances \& health
- Lifestyle factors crystallize during adolescence
- Adolescent obesity $\rightarrow$ adult obesity-related complications, even after weight loss
(e.g., Must et al., 2002; Power et al. 1997)
- Prevention efforts challenging in teens
- Overall effect of obesity prevention <0.1 BMI unit. (Waters et al., 2011)


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- Healthcare costs are huge
- \$2.6 Trillion in 2010

Federal Outlays for - FY 2012

(www.USgovernmentspending.com)

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National Health Expenditures per Capita, 1960-2010


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(Special "shout-out" to the educators)

- Health needed to learn
- Health promotion programs directly involve schools
- Objections to public policy that promotes teen sleep come from people who are interested in health


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Physical Health

- Obesity
- Athletics
- Illness
- Special Populations


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(Beebe et al., 2013)

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Ratings of Appeal, Sleepy Teens Study


## Sleep \& Athletics: Real-World Evidence

- Short sleep is associated with certain types of sports injuries in youth.
(Luke et al., 2011)
- Even among elite teen athletes, less sleep is associated with less willingness to train hard.
(Engle-Friedman et al, 2010)


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(Copes \& Rosentswieg, 1972)

## Sleep \& IIIness: Real-World Evidence



## Sleep \& Illness: Real-World Evidence

Missed/Sick Days in Past 2 Weeks

(Wahlstrom, 2002)

## Sleep \& IIIness: Evidence of Causation


(Spiegel et al., 2002)

## Sleep \& Illness: <br> Evidence of Causation



Control Subjocts ( $n=14$ )

(Spiegel et al., 2002)

## Sleep \& Illness: Evidence of Causation

## Sleep \& Looking Unwell: Evidence of Causation



(Axelsson et al., 2010)

## Sleep \& Special Populations: Active Investigations

- Asthma (L Meltzer): Sleep dep induces inflammation; does it make asthma worse?
- Chronic Pain (T Palermo, T Ward): does sleep dep worsen pain via inflammation or impairment via reduced pain threshold?
- Diabetes: (M Perfect): Sleep dep alters glucose regulation and may alter medical adherence; does it make diabetes worse?


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## It's time for some real-world solutions.



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