

There are many children with life-threatening conditions and parents' management for these children in times of crises is important, not only for the child, but also the family. Detailed and uniform education from health care providers has potential to improve management competence for parents of these children and others who care for them in the community and prevent costly emergency room visits. This study will explore the manner in which parents of children with congenital adrenal hyperplasia (CAH), an endocrine condition that requires caregivers to inject hydrocortisone intramuscularly during times of adrenal crisis, are prepared for crisis management as well as provide insight into the development of interventions to promote parental management ability and optimal outcomes for these children. For more information, contact Louise Fleming at lkflem@email.unc.edu