

Echoes

of the QLSCD

Summer is already here! Enjoy a short break while we get ready for 2010! You will find recent information about the study and about other subjects of interest.

2008 is over!

The health round of the 2008 collection is finished. A large number of families and children agreed to participate in this unique segment which consisted in collecting blood samples of children, among others. Thanks to their generous contribution, we will have a reliable profile of the health status of Québec youth that will help us better direct the next health prevention programs targeting young people. We will keep you informed of publications featuring the analysis of these important results.

What is more, this special segment will serve to track the evolution of the general health status of children since it echoes a study that was conducted in 1999, the Québec health and social survey on children and adolescents. Researchers and specialists will be able to compare the results of these two studies and observe how the health of our young people has evolved over the past 10 years. You can visit the following site to obtain more information about the 1999 survey:

<http://www.stat.gouv.qc.ca/publications/sante/enfant-ado.htm> (French only).

Interesting Web sites

Do your children practice sports and injure themselves from time to time? How do you know if it is serious or not? Should you bring your child to the doctor? To help you answer these questions, the Montreal Children's Hospital (MCH) has launched a Web site to inform parents, coaches, and young people about preventive practices and the treatment of injuries. On the site, you will find articles covering a wide range of subjects from scrapes and concussions to fractures. You will find out about all kinds of useful tips. For instance, did you know that contrary to baby teeth, a permanent tooth that is lost due to trauma can be implanted successfully? Read more about it at:

<http://www.thechildren.com/trauma/>.

Publications

On June 19, the Institut de la statistique du Québec announced the release of an information bulletin entitled Profiles and Pathways part of the I am, I'll be series. This series exclusively presents various analyses based on the data collected during the study. As a result, this issue deals with the evolution of tooth-brushing practices among children aged between 0 and 8 years. To consult this information bulletin, go to:

<http://www.jesuisjeserai.stat.gouv.qc.ca>.

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A few words from the Coordinator

Hello everyone!

I am very happy to write to you in a context other than data collection. First, I would like to thank you for your loyal participation in the study. Your generosity is greatly appreciated! I use the word generosity because you devote a few hours a year freely and voluntarily to the "I am, I'll be" project. As a father of two young girls, I know that it is not always easy to give time: between work, our children's homework and activities, and errands there is not much time left for other pursuits. You are transmitting an immeasurable value to your children: generosity, the gift of self. Tomorrow's society will be able to rely on generous individuals who know that the gift of giving can improve everyone's quality of life.

Thank you, once more.

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"I am, I'll be"
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Have a nice summer!

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I AM, I'LL BE
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active
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