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Date=1/2/2014 Time=3:30 Slug=TEEN SEX ED

NEW RESEARCH SAYS PEDIATRICIANS NEED TO DO A "BETTER" JOB TALKING TO TEENS ABOUT SEX. THE STUDY FOUND THAT PEDIATRICIANS ONLY SPENT 36 SECONDS TALKING ABOUT SEX DURING AN ANNUAL CHECK UP. TO TALK ABOUT WHY THIS IS A CONCERN - WE'RE JOINED BY NATALIE STAVAS - A PEDIATRIC RESIDENT.

Date=1/6/2014 Time=4:30 Slug=SEXTING STUDY

OKAY PARENTS. THIS MIGHT BE HARD FOR YOU TO BELIEVE ABOUT YOUR OWN KIDS. BUT A NEW STUDY SAYS A GOOD CHUNK OF **YOUNG** TEENS - WE'RE TALKING AGES 12 TO 14 - ARE SENDING SEXUALLY EXPLICIT TEXT MESSAGES TO EACH OTHER. JOINING US NOW, HARVARD AND MGH PSYCHOLOGIST - DR. ELLEN BRAATEN.

Date=1/7/2014 Time=4:00 Slug=KIDS/MARIJUANA TALK

IN THE NEW YEAR, A NEW CHANGE IN LAW REGARDING MARIJUANA IS HAVING A MAJOR IMPACT. COLORADO BECAME THE FIRST STATE TO LEGALIZE RECREATIONAL POT ON JANUARY 1ST. ALREADY, TOURISTS FROM AROUND THE WORLD ARE FLOCKING THERE FOR SO CALLED "GREEN TOURS." SO WHAT DO WE TELL OUR KIDS? HERE WITH ADVICE ON HOW TO TALK TO YOUR KIDS ABOUT POT, JON MATTLEMAN FROM NEEDHAM YOUTH SERVICES.

Date=1/8/2014 Time=3:30 Slug=STOP PRAISING KIDS

GOOD JOB, AWESOME - GREAT PICTURE - WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT THAT PARENTS MAY BE USING "TOO OFTEN." NEW RESEARCH SUGGESTS WE SHOULD LIMIT *HOW AND *WHEN WE PRAISE OUR KIDS. HERE TO BREAK DOWN THIS STUDY AND SHARE SOME ADVICE, PARENTING EXPERT DR. MAUREEN O'BRIEN.

Date=1/17/2014 Time=2:00 Slug=SHREWSBURY ASSASSINS LIST

SHREWSBURY SCHOOL OFFICIALS SAY IT WAS LABELED AN "ASSASSINATION LIST"; NINE NAMES ALLEGEDLY WRITTEN DOWN BY A *6TH GRADER. FOX25'S JESSICA REYES IS LIVE IN SHREWSBURY TONIGHT.

Date=1/19/2014 Time=:51

Slug=RI TEENS SNORTING SMARTIES

A NEW REPORT SHOWING KIDS ACROSS THE NATION ARE EXPERIMENTING WITH A NEW DRUG THAT'S NOT EVEN A DRUG AT ALL. AUTHORITIES SAY TEENS ARE CRUSHING UP THE CANDY SMARTIES AND SNORTING THEM. PARENTS IN PORTSMOUTH, RHODE ISLAND RECEIVED AN EMAIL ALERT THIS PAST WEEK. SEVERAL STUDENTS AT PORTSMOUTH MIDDLE SCHOOL WERE CAUGHT SNORTING THE CANDIES. AUTHORITIES ARE NOW SAYING THAT THE HABIT COULD LEAD TO THE SCARRING OF THE NASAL CAVITY AND INFECTION.

Date=1/20/2014 Time=4:45 Slug=KIDS & SPORTS

MAYBE ITS A VISION OF AN ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIP OR MAYBE IT'S JUST KEEPING UP WITH WHAT EVERYONE ELSE IS DOING--BUT THERE IS AN EXPOSION OF KIDS PLAYING A SPORT YEAR ROUND. BE IT BASEBALL, BASKETBALL, HOCKEY, LACROSSE, DANCE TEAM, ITS CUTTING INTO THE FAMILY BUDGET, AND FAMILY TIME. IT COSTS AROUND 300 DOLLARS A MONTH FOR YEAR ROUND TRAINING. THAT DOESN'T INCLUDE THE AIRFARE, HOTEL ROOMS AND FOOD TO TRAVEL. BUT HEALTH EXPERT SAYS - PARENTS NEED TO CONSIDER THAT ALL THIS TRAINING CAN PUT A PHYSICAL AND EMOTIONAL STRAIN ON YOUNG ATHLETES AND RESULT IN OVERUSE INJURIES. WE'RE JOINED HARVARD & MGH PSYCHOLOGIST DR. ELLEN BRAATEN AND DR. LYLE MICHELI WITH BOSTON CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL.

Date=1/21/2014 Time=4:00 Slug=ADDICTIONS EXPERT

PRESIDENT OBAMA'S RECENT COMMENT ON MARIJUANA ARE IN STARK CONTRAST TO THE "JUST SAY NO" POSITION OF A GENERATION AGO. WHEN IT COMES TO TEENAGERS ESPECIALLY, IS THE IMPACT OF WEED NO WORSE THAN ALCOHOL? AND THERE'S ANOTHER HIGH TEENS ARE INDULGING IN, THAT CAN BE FOUND IN THE CANDY AISLE. JOINING US WITH FEEDBACK FOR PARENTS WHO NEED TO ADDRESS THESE ISSUES WITH THEIR KIDS IS ADDICTIONS SPECIALIST WOODY GIESSMANN OF "RIGHT TURN ADDICTION SERVICES."

Date=1/27/2014 Time=4:00 Slug=KIDS & GUN STUDY

IT IS OUR RIGHT TO BEAR ARMS. AND YET EVERY DAY IN THE U-S, 20 CHILDREN ARE INJURED BY GUNS. THAT MEANS ALMOST EVERY HOUR - A CHILD IS SENT TO THE EMERGENCY ROOM WITH A GUN-RELATED WOUND. SIX PERCENT OF THOSE INJURIES, ARE LIFE-ENDING. THIS MORNING DR. ROBERT SEGE FROM BOSTON MEDICAL CENTER HAS INSIGHT ON A NEW STUDY OF KIDS AND GUNS.

Date=1/29/2014 Time=3:30 Slug=TODDLERS AND SELFIES IT'S A SIGN OF THE HIGH-TECH TIMES WE'RE IN. MORE AND MORE KIDS, TODDLERS, ARE TAKING PICTURES OF THEMSELVES. BUT ARE THESE SELFIES AT SUCH A YOUNG AGE A GOOD THING OR A BAD THING? LET'S GO TO OUR BEACON HILL STUDIO. DR. ELLEN BRAATEN IS A PSYCHOLOGIST AT HARVARD AND MASS GENERAL HOSPITAL.