

Otolaryngology for the Pediatrician

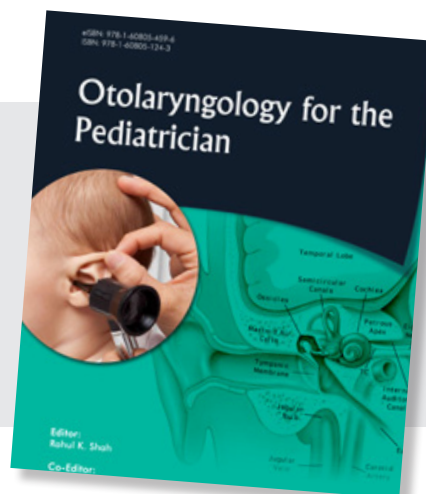
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Otolaryngology for the Pediatrician, edited by Rahul K. Shah and co-edited by Diego A. Preciado and George H. Zalzal was recently published online. This single volume eBook is a comprehensive review of the most relevant otolaryngology disorders that both primary and specialty care pediatricians have to deal with. The text was designed to elucidate and amplify their knowledge of this diverse group of pathologies they frequently have to face, from the pediatric otolaryngologists perspective.

The text is 195 pages in length and features 12 chapters written by eminent pediatric otolaryngologists that address the most frequent clinical problems and diagnoses. It has two chapters devoted to ear problems - otitis media and hearing loss – that are nicely written and present excellent reviews of the topics. Chapters 2 and 12 explain in a thorough and clear way the wide variety of neck masses and vascular anomalies that can affect children, respectively. Chapter 8, dedicated to the spectrum of deep neck infections, describes their presentation, diagnosis, treatment and complications. Several chapters give an in-depth look at different airway issues including sleep-disordered breathing, stridor, velopharyngeal insufficiency and recurrent respiratory papillomatosis.

Regarding sinonasal disease, chapter 8 is especially dedicated to sinus infections. A nice contribution is the parallel made with adenoid issues, which are not easily differentiated and frequently coexist. Certainly an aid to elucidate and manage sinonasal pathology from the pediatrician's side of the problem. It nicely summarizes the anatomy and physiology, symptoms, predisposing factors, diagnosis and management of sinus infections.

Chapters on clinical anatomy and emergencies also cover a wide range of sinonasal problems including congenital malformations, different causes of nasal obstruction, complications of rhinosinusitis, foreign bodies and epistaxis, within others.

Otolaryngology for the Pediatrician, is a very valuable resource for both primary and specialty care pediatricians. Also, the clarity with which the chapters are addressed and the depth it reaches makes it a great contribution for medical students and otolaryngology residents. This eBook will be a great addition to the libraries of pediatricians, readily accessible thanks to its electronic format.

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