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# NEWS DIGEST

## Child becomes critically ill as a result of father's smallpox vaccination

The U.S. Center for Disease Control and Prevention announced recently that a 2-year-old, son of a soldier deployed to Iraq is now in critical condition after developing a reaction to his father's smallpox vaccination.

CDC virus expert Dr. Inger Damon said it is the first reported case of eczema vaccinatum since the vaccination against smallpox was resumed in 2002. He also stated that because smallpox vaccine uses live vaccine virus, it can sometimes cause severe and sometimes fatal effects. "They can get

a particularly noxious and sometimes fatal rash," he stated in a reported telephone interview.

The little boy's father was vaccinated while deployed in Iraq. Though CDC was unable to say whether the father had any reaction after being vaccinated, it seems he was unexpectedly furloughed and when he came home, both his wife and child touched the vaccinated site and the little boy got infected.

According to the most recent report, the toddler is being treated in a Chicago hospital and doctors are "cautiously optimistic that the child is improving."

CDC stated that between 1959 and 1968 when smallpox vaccination was common, 12 cases of eczema vaccina-

tum were reported with an 18% fatality rate. The U.S. resumed smallpox vaccinations in 2002, including 40,000 civilian health workers and hundreds of thousands of military personnel. Many civilians refused to get vaccinated because of the potential of serious side effects. However, CDC reported there were only two severe cases after smallpox vaccination and they both involved heart conditions.

## Philosophy Council invites papers for December Summit in Las Vegas

The ICA Council on Chiropractic Philosophy has issued a call for papers for its 2007 Chiropractic Summit to be held in Las Vegas, December 7-8, 2007. The theme of the papers is "Innate Intelligence and the Modern World." The topic has been kept broad for a reason — to consider the breadth of this philosophical concept from defining, to teaching students, to correlating with scientific subjects, to research, and to patient education. "They are all part of this concept," explains ICA Philosophy Council Chair Dr. Rob Sinnott, "and it is time we as a profession defined the parameters of Innate Intelligence for the next century." Only a limited number of papers will be accepted for oral presentation. Authors of selected abstracts will be expected to submit a complete paper 45 days before the Summit for the *Proceedings*. Abstracts of not less than 250 words should be emailed to [chirobooks@sbcglobal](mailto:chirobooks@sbcglobal) by July 2, 2007.

## Philosophy Diplomate program to start in Chicago

Year 2 of the ICA Philosophy Council's Diplomate in Philosophical Chiropractic Standards (DPhCS) program is expected to start in Chicago in September of this year. Doctors who have received their LCP (through Palmer) or ACP (through Sherman) and are interested in continuing their philosophy education and receiving the Diplomate in Philosophical Chiropractic Standards should contact the Center for Chiropractic Progress, the hosts for this program. The Center for Chiropractic Progress (CCP) is a non-profit group whose mission is to perpetuate the authentic transmission of the principles of chiropractic through education, and to fund research and other projects that are congruent with the Chiropractic principles. The CCP is working closely with the ICA Council on Chiropractic Philosophy and will present only the syllabus as developed and approved by the ICA Council on Chiropractic Philosophy. For more information about the number of onsite modules and online work please contact Dr. Lance Lorfeld at 253-588-6343 or email him at [lakewoodchiro@qwest.net](mailto:lakewoodchiro@qwest.net).

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