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## ARTICLES

### IOM recommends halt to Reye Syndrome — aspirin study

An Institute of Medicine Committee has recommended that the Public Health Service discontinue a study on Reye Syndrome because preliminary results strongly support a link between aspirin and Reye Syndrome. . . . . 1

### Pediatricians call attention to nuclear threat through protests, arrests

Many pediatricians are concerned about the nuclear arms race and the danger it poses to the future of world survival. Several pediatricians have gone a step further: They've broken the law in order to call public attention to the threat of nuclear disaster. . . . . 1

### New definition, classification of AIDS expected . . . . . 1

### Prospects look good for AZT use in children with AIDS

The word is hopeful on the use of AZT in treating children with AIDS. . . . . 2

### Meeting to help communities respond to AIDS crisis

Identifying strategies to help communities cope with the AIDS crisis is the aim of an American Medical Association meeting scheduled for April 21-22 in Chicago. . . . . 2

### Members encouraged to offer AIDS statement to schools

As the number of children with AIDS grows, so, too, does the likelihood that schools will be confronted with the question of whether to let a child with AIDS attend school. . . . . 2

### Group seeks to increase awareness of emotional abuse

The National Committee for Prevention of Child Abuse encourages pediatricians to take part in a nationwide campaign this month to increase public awareness of the problem of emotional abuse. . . . . 3

### Computerized option offered to members enrolled in PREP

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### Physician to discuss improving diagnosis of abdominal conditions

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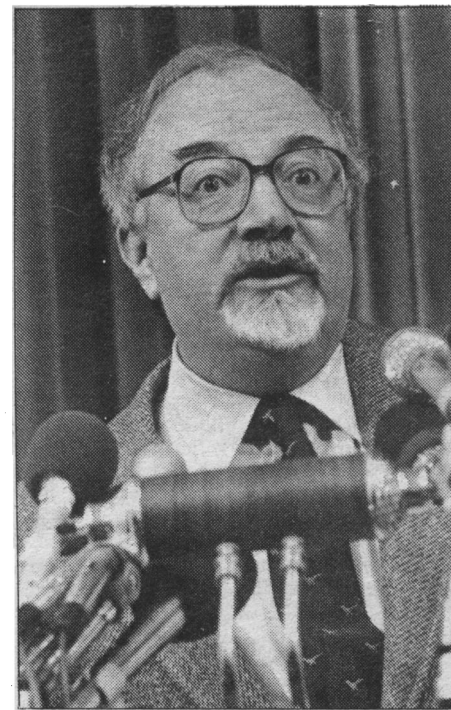
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