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Children's sleep is an integral part of development. Untreated sleep disorders can often have multiple negative impact on children's development, health, and long-term wellbeing. Sleep is also an important component of the family dynamic and overall household health. Pediatric Sleep Medicine specialists rely heavily on adult sleep research data to help aid policy development in treating children. Children however have unique needs regarding their sleep and many sleep disorders that are overlooked in childhood.

This special issue of the *Journal for Applied Research on Children* will focus on articles that have implications for sleep health in children from birth to early adulthood. Both clinical, translational, and population-based research in pediatric sleep medicine is needed to help primary care providers and pediatric specialists to understand the unique sleep needs and disorders found in children.

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