

# APPLYING NEW GUIDELINES ON ACUTE OTITIS MEDIA: FROM PRINCIPLES TO PRACTICE

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**P**ERSISTENT OVERDIAGNOSIS AND OVERTREATMENT of acute otitis media and the resulting effects on antimicrobial resistance recently led the American Academy of Pediatrics and the American Academy of Family Physicians to issue clinical practice guidelines on the diagnosis and management of acute otitis media.

To explore the implications of these new guidelines for practicing pediatricians and family practitioners, the *Cleveland Clinic Journal of Medicine* recently convened a case-based roundtable discussion on the guidelines among a panel of pediatricians and infectious disease specialists. The roundtable began with an overview of the new guidelines by Dr. S. Michael Marcy, who served as a consultant to the American Academy of Pediatrics during the guidelines' development; his overview is reflected here in a short review article that sets the stage for the roundtable discussion that follows. The tables within the roundtable transcript were developed by consensus of the panel.

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