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Articles in this issue of *Neurology® Clinical Practice (NCP)* discuss ways we can share our data and expertise with colleagues to improve patient care. “Is there a neurologist on this flight?” is an anxiety-producing question that many physicians have faced while passengers on a commercial airplane. Joseph Sirven (p. 445) provides a timely, practical update on best practices for neurologists confronted with in-flight emergencies.

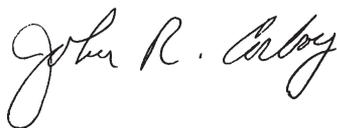
Levine et al. (p. 429) convened a panel of neuromuscular specialists to review case records from 248 IV immunoglobulin (IVIg)-naïve patients whose in-home IVIg infusion treatment was submitted to insurance for authorization. The authors make the case that payers should include an expert in their review process to improve patient selection and appropriate use of this expensive therapeutic agent. An accompanying editorial by Satya-Murti (p. 373) broadens the discussion and offers practical next steps in improving diagnostic and review processes.

Smith et al. (p. 397) screened 453 consecutive patients retrospectively and identified 10 rare cases of late-onset Lennox-Gastaut syndrome. In an accompanying editorial, Singh (p. 375) further explores the possibility of an inflammatory component of the pathophysiology of this disorder. Foster et al. (p. 421) directly compare the presentation and management of patients with community- and hospital-onset first seizures attending the same hospital and report clear differences in characteristics between patients.

Iaccarino et al. (p. 403) evaluated student athletes for concomitant sports-related concussion and attention-deficit/hyperactivity syndrome (ADHD). They reported that student athletes with ADHD are more likely to sustain 1 or multiple concussions and experience prolonged post-concussion symptoms. In an accompanying editorial, Nuwer et al. (p. 377) discuss the broader public health implications in the care of youth with ADHD who participate in sport.

Our latest Practice Current survey asks “How do you manage patients with a ‘hot carotid?’” Please consider completing the survey to add your own perspective at NPub.org/NCP/pc8.

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