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## For Your Information

### Sepsis: common, deadly across globe

Pediatricians can join the Academy on World Sepsis Day, Sept. 13, to help increase awareness of this deadly disease among the health care community and the public. Sepsis rates have increased by 8% to 13% annually in the developed world over the past decade, and someone in the world dies of sepsis every few seconds.

On this second annual World Sepsis Day, the goal is to decrease the prevalence of sepsis by 20% by 2020, boost survival in children (including neonates) and adults, and improve data tracking and prevention. The collaborative effort aims to align 2,500 hospitals and other health care organizations behind the World Sepsis Declaration. It also seeks to achieve governmental involvement in at least 10 countries or states to require hospitals to adopt proven best practices for the early identification and treatment of sepsis.

Find resources at <http://www.world-sepsis-day.org>.

