

ENT NEWS

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“ENT-ISMS”

A unilateral nasal polyp is a tumor until proven otherwise.

A chronic or recurrently draining ear is a cholesteatoma until proven otherwise.

Never sedate a patient with a questionable airway.

Unilateral epistaxis with odor or purulence in a child is a nasal foreign body until proven otherwise.

Unilateral serous otitis in an adult is a nasopharyngeal tumor until proven otherwise.

All that wheezes is not asthma and all that palsies is not Bell's.

Persistent unilateral tinnitus is an acoustic neuroma until proven otherwise.

Any airway is a good one when you don't have one.

Ear pain out of proportion to physical findings may well be TMJ.

Unilateral ear pain in a smoker is a pharyngeal tumor until proven otherwise.

Persistent hoarseness in a smoker is a laryngeal tumor until proven otherwise.

A nose bleed will persist until the hypertension is controlled and the coagulopathy is corrected.

If the patient *may* need an urgent operation he *must* be NPO.

The three best diagnostics tests for a neck mass or thyroid nodule are a needle biopsy, a needle biopsy and a needle biopsy.

“NEW TO THE ENT CENTER- HOME TV LOOP SYSTEM”

Loop systems, which allow hearing aid users to have sound in auditoriums and churches directly channeled into their aids, have markedly improved sound quality and intelligibility for many with hearing aids. These systems work with the t-coil or telephone setting in the person's hearing aid. Now people can enjoy the same technology at home with a TV loop system. The system is available for \$299 which includes professional installation. A live demonstration is available at the Ear, Nose, and Throat Center, and can make television viewing a pleasure once again for those frustrated with TV sound quality. Call to set up an appointment for your patients today at (616) 575-1213.

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