## Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities in US Children Admitted to Hospice Care<sup>1</sup>

In a study of 6,195 children under 21 in hospice care...









A comparison across age groups shows...

Mental health conditions and intellectual disabilities were most common among children between 15 and 20 years old

Other developmental disabilities were highest in the 6-to-14-year-old age group



Developmental delays were common in children under 1 year old

Pediatric hospice and palliative care nurses...



play an important role in understanding the mental health and developmental disabilities of children in hospice care



can begin identifying populations at risk for mental health and developmental disabilities upon admission







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