Pediatric cerebrovascular disease

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Cerebrovascular disorders refer to a number of conditions that in children are typically linked to congenital malformations (conditions the child was born with), of the arteries and/or veins that circulate the blood supply throughout the brain. Many of these conditions can increase the risk for hemorrhage (excessive bleeding) or stroke due to compromised blood flow. In all of these cases, there is a risk of brain damage.

Cerebrovascular disorders are generally rare in children, but among them are:

Aneurysms

Arteriovenous malformations (AVMs)

Moyamoya disease

Vein of Galen malformations

Pediatric cerebrovascular disease carries significant morbidity and mortality. Early recognition of a pediatric stroke as well and its most common risk factors are important, but that diagnosis is often delayed.

Epidemiology

Pediatric cerebrovascular disease epidemiology.

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