



Clinical Practice Committee

Dear Colleague,

on behalf of the Clinical Practice Committee, I am happy to announce the first series of *Endocrine leaflets* entirely dedicated to the patients and their parents. At the beginning of our mandate we set out to provide young patients and their families guidance and easy reading presentation of endocrine diseases. We are proud to say that we have finalized the first series of endocrine booklets for patients and their families dealing with all the commonest endocrine disorders (growth, puberty, glucose metabolism, thyroid, adrenal, etc.). The booklets will be published in the ESPE CPC webpage (Parent Pages section) and will be translated into the major European languages: English, French, Spanish, German, and Italian. We are in debt to Professor Gary Butler and Fernando Vera, Institute of Health Sciences, University of Reading, for their wonderful work. The easy readability format was created to provide the reader (child or adult with below than average literacy) basic information on a specific condition including its diagnosis, treatment and possible side effects. Most chapters appear under a double version, easy and average readability, to calibrate the information according to the reader. The illustrations were designed to appear easily recognizable to the reader and to only convey a single idea. I warmly invite you to read the chapter on Methodology used by the Authors, you'll find out the hard scientific and technical work behind each part.

Once again I would like to thank Prof. Butler and his co-workers, they have generously offered an invaluable contribution to our patients and their families understanding of what we do every day to relieve their disturbances.

Hoping you can find this CPC initiative worthwhile,
I send you my best regards,

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