New research shows how time in hospital impacts education

Risk to results and school completion

New research shows that being hospitalised for asthma puts young women at a 33% higher risk of not completing year 12 than their peers.

Further, being hospitalised for any type of injury leaves young people with an average 12 per cent higher risk of not achieving the national minimum standard (NMS) on their NAPLAN test in numeracy, and a 9 per cent higher risk when it comes to reading.

Here are the links to the research from Associate Professor Rebecca Mitchell or email us to request a copy:

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The data you provide to a health app is not as private as you might expect

World first large-scale analysis

Associate Professor Shlomo Berkovsky and a team of researchers conducted a world first large-scale analysis of mobile health (mHealth) apps available on Google Play with the goal of providing a comprehensive view of mHealth apps’ security features and gauging the associated risks for mHealth users and their data.

Despite being better aligned with security best practices than non-mHealth apps, mHealth apps are still far from ensuring robust security guarantees. App users, clinicians, technology developers, and policy makers alike should be cognizant of the uncovered security issues and weigh them carefully against the benefits of mHealth apps.

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