

FROM THE JOURNALS

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The following articles should be of interest to hospitalists:

Facemasks and Hand Hygiene to prevent influenza transmission in households

Cowling, BJ et al., *Annals Int Med* 2009; 151: 437-446

Functional Status of Elderly Adults before and after Initiation of Dialysis

Tamura, MK et al., *NEJM* 2009; 361: 1539-1547

The natural history of recovery for the healthcare provider "second victim" after adverse patient events

Scott, SD et al., *Qual & Safety in Healthcare* 2009; 18: 325-330

Glucocorticoid Use and Risk of Atrial Fibrillation or Flutter

Christiansen, CF et al., *Arch Int Med* 2009; 169: 1677-1683

Incidence and Mortality of Hip Fractures in the United States

Brauer, CA et al., *JAMA* 2009; 302: 1573-1579

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COMMUNITY ACQUIRED PNEUMONIA

The 10-16-09 issue of the *Annals of Internal Medicine* has a nice "In the Clinic" review of Community Acquired Pneumonia, authored by Michael Niederman. It is clear, concise, to the point and well referenced:

<http://www.annals.org/cgi/reprint/151/7/ITC4-1.pdf>