Selected news items and updates for the practicing clinician

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• Routine monitoring of tube feeding and gastric residual volumes may not reduce the patient's chances of developing pneumonia.

http://www.medpagetoday.com/CriticalCare/Pneumonia/36859 PMID: 23321763

• The definition of early goal-directed resuscitative therapy may need to be even ear lier than is currently practiced.

http://www.medscape.com/viewarticle/777935

- A new norovirus strain is affecting the United States. Although it is early in the sea son here, the strain has caused hundreds of outbreaks in other countries. http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm6203a4.htm
- From the same study come two new thoughts: lowering BP during ICH doesn't re duce the size of the bleed, but it didn't cause harm either, even with rapid lowering. http://www.medpagetoday.com/MeetingCoverage/ISC/37271 http://www.medpagetoday.com/Cardiology/Strokes/37287 PMID: 23391776
- The FDA is requiring the dose of zolpidem be lowered in women and that clinicians should consider a lower dose for men.

http://www.fda.gov/NewsEvents/Newsroom/PressAnnouncements/ucm334798.htm

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