

## Higher rates of misdiagnosis in pediatric patients versus adults hospitalized with imported malaria.

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This retrospective single center study found that more than 40% of pediatric patients with malaria were initially misdiagnosed, compared to only 13% of adult patients with malaria. One potential reason for these [diagnostic errors](#) was that children were much more likely to present with prominent abdominal symptoms.