

NEC SURVEILLANCE

Summary

Purpose

The NEC follow-up questionnaires are mailed out annually to families who have been screened for DAISY, but who are not currently participating. Either the children screened did not meet the enrollment criteria or the parents simply refused participation. The questionnaires ask if the child or anyone in their immediate family has developed type 1 diabetes (IDDM) during the previous year. Since these families are not regularly in touch with DAISY, it's important to maintain some degree of a relationship. The information gathered will help determine the rate of onset of IDDM in children that are not being seen in the clinic.

Procedures

A. Mailing

The NEC follow-up questionnaires are mailed out quarterly. All subjects who were screened and have a birthday in the given months of a mailing are sent a questionnaire.

B. Data entry

As the questionnaires are returned the information gathered is entered into the main study database. Address information is checked and updated as needed.