



Greetings!

We hope you, your family and friends are staying safe and healthy!

As a member of the SADS Healthcare Professional Network, you have been in our thoughts, as we know that the work that you do is critically important.

We wanted to share some new COVID-19 resources available from SADS Foundation for you and your healthcare practice.

We'd love to hear from you! Please let us know if there is anything more that we can provide for the healthcare community, or for the SADS families that you care for at this time.

You can reach us online at [sads@sads.org](mailto:sads@sads.org).



## Videos on COVID-19 with Experts

Dr. Mike Ackerman interviews fellow SADS Foundation Scientific Advisors weekly on Facebook Live.

View past videos of Dr. Ackerman's interviews with Drs. Ray Woosley, Arthur Wilde, Elijah Behr, Chris Semsarian, Hugh Calkins & Brittney Murray, CGC [here](#).

Upcoming guests will include Drs. Susan Etheridge and Silvia Priori.



## Upcoming this Friday

FACEBOOK LIVE Q&A

**ASK THE EXPERTS:  
TIMOTHY SYNDROMES**

Dr. Paul Thornton      Kathryn Timothy  
Dr. Mike Ackerman      Dr. Maully Shah

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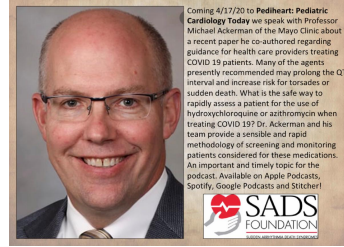
**Friday, April 24 at 2:20pm ET**

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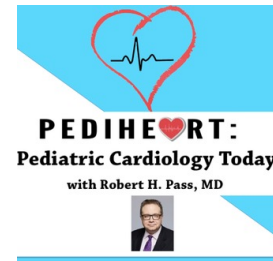
## Navigating the QTc Prolonging Potential of

## Possible Therapies for COVID-19 (Pediheart Podcast #114)

Co-sponsored with SADS Foundation, Dr. Robert H. Pass reviewed a recent guideline paper by the Mayo Clinic on how to improve the safety of potential COVID-19 therapies such as azithromycin or hydroxychloroquine.



Listen and download podcast [here](#).



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## COVID-19 & SADS Dedicated Resource Web Page

We have established a dedicated [website page](#) where we are posting COVID-19 updates to help our medical professionals who help families manage this virus and their SADS condition. You'll find published COVID-19 articles, past Facebook Live videos, SADSatHome activities and other valuable links.

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## CredibleMeds Launches MedSafety Scan for COVID-19

Today, Azcert announced an important new decision support program to help clinicians manage the risk of QT prolonging medications when treating patients with COVID-19. **MedSafety Scan®** is available without charge and only requires an internet connection for access. Its release has been accelerated because of the large number of people being prescribed QT prolonging drugs for COVID-19.

If you are caring for patients with COVID-19, please register at [medsafetyscan.org](https://medsafetyscan.org) and log in to use the program. Download the April 20 press release [here](#).

Since no drug therapy has yet been found to be effective for COVID-19, we encourage everyone to support and participate in the [clinical trials](#) now underway. However, we understand that these trials may not be available to everyone and treatment of critically ill patients, even with unproven drugs, may be justified in some cases. AZCERT and Mayo Clinic recently posted recommendations for the safe use of these medications and we encourage everyone to review these documents. AZCERT and leading professional medical organizations recommend ECG monitoring and avoidance of any non-essential drugs that prolong QT and increase the risk of TdP in patients. *Raymond L Woosley, MD, PhD, Azcert*



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## U.S. National Consensus Guidelines: *Unexplained Pediatric Deaths: Investigation, Certification & Family Needs*

The Sudden Unexplained Death in Children (SUDC) Foundation recently published a first-of-its

kind book, a collaboration between the National Association of Medical Examiners (NAME) and the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), which establishes the first ever national consensus guidelines in the U.S. to fill crucial needs to determine why unexplained pediatric deaths happen and how to support families after these tragedies.

The publication is a combined effort of more than thirty multidisciplinary contributors from across the country, including medical examiners, pediatricians, federal agency representatives in public health, clinical subspecialists (neurology, cardiology, child abuse, injury prevention, infectious diseases, genetics and metabolic diseases), researchers, epidemiologists and family advocates. You can read more about the publication at [sudpeds.com](http://sudpeds.com).



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