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Academic literature on misinformation has exploded in recent years and yet much of that work either tracks the prevalence of misinformation generally or points to population-based interventions intended to reduce that prevalence. Considerable work also has focused on parental acceptance of clinician recommendations for children's health such as vaccination recommendations. Less work has considered how and why families are vulnerable to medical misinformation regarding children's health or the implications of that vulnerability for intervention development.

This special issue of the *Journal of Applied Research on Children* will feature papers that advance our understanding of misinformation in the family health context and what might be done about it. Quantitative and qualitative papers will be welcome but all papers should report empirical data and advance our understanding of what steps might be taken to reduce the effect of misinformation on family decision-making, patient-provider relationships, or population welfare in the future.

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