Diabetes and Pre-Diabetes

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The links among parents’ own eating and weight status, parenting practices, and child outcomes from infancy through adolescence, with a current focus on the emergence of dieting and problems of energy balance in girls during middle childhood and early adolescence.

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Skeletal consequences of dietary fat during aging; neurochemical consequences of binge eating.

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Psychosocial determinants of exercise (age, gender, race), application of theoretical models to exercise (theory of planned behavior, transtheoretical model), exercise dependence, body image.

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Psychological and physiological controls of food intake and selection in normal weight and obese humans across the life span; nutritional strategies for weight management.

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