

## **FM REVIEW COMMENTS 2009-2012 31**

**COMMENTS TO EDITOR:** This submission received one very positive review, and one somewhat more critical one. However, on examination, the critical review was concerned primarily about writing skills rather than content. Fortunately, he provided excellent suggestions for revision. I've added my own (attached), and recommend minor revision of this very enjoyable piece.

Note: As reviewer 1 points out, the author is a non-physician. However, she is clearly "connected" to family medicine through her husband-physician, and in my view her lack of physician status should not be a barrier to eventual acceptance of the submission.

**COMMENTS TO AUTHOR:** This was an enjoyable and lighthearted account that nevertheless sends a serious message that childhood diseases in adulthood are not necessarily trivial. While generally very well-written, we would like you to consider a few recommended deletions and revisions to achieve a better flow in the writing.

**COMMENTS TO EDITOR II:** The author has made numerous changes recommended by the asst editor, as well as following many of the recommendations suggested by reviewer 2. The story is amusing (despite "not [being] a giggle" while addressing an interesting topic - contracting an uncomfortable childhood disease during adulthood. I recommend accept.

**COMMENTS TO AUTHOR II:** Thank you for your revisions. The essay reads very well, and tells an enjoyable story of coping with a developmentally unexpected illness that will be of interest to our readers.