

## Young age at menarche doesn't equate to earlier sex

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Younger age at menarche does not confer increased risk of early first sexual intercourse, according to a study published online Nov. 11 in *Pediatrics*.

(HealthDay)—Younger age at menarche (AAM) does not confer increased risk of early first sexual intercourse (FSI), according to a study published online Nov. 11 in *Pediatrics*.

Jennifer L. Marino, M.P.H., Ph.D., from the University of Melbourne in Australia, and colleagues analyzed data from 554 girls participating in the Western Australia Pregnancy Cohort Study to describe the longitudinal correlation between AAM and FSI. AAM was classified as younger (

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