Figure 2. Proposed Explanatory Model of Chronic Pediatric Pain

Predisposing Factors

Illness & Somatization/Fatigue/Pain/Sleep Disturbance

Trigger Event Stressor

Coping Style/Avoidance Somatization/Cognitive/Attributional Style

Family Factors

Withdrawal Deconditioning Attribution (External Locus of Control)

Other Medical Illnesses

Isolation Functional Disability School Absence Enmeshment/Misguided Support Biological Epiphenomena High Healthcare Use

Social Milieu/Stressors

Psychological Events (Catastrophizing)