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Effects of Soluble Corn Fiber on Bone Metabolism in Children

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establishing vitamin D supplementation guidelines and infant nutrient requirements. She is currently part of the 2025 Dietary Guidelines Advisory Committee for the United States. She is an active member of the American Society of Nutrition and of the Latin-American Nutrition Society.

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