

I AM A CHILD WITH COVID-19: Should I Join a COVID-19 Research Study?



Kids who have COVID-19, or might have COVID-19, may be able to join a COVID-19 research study.

A research study:

- collects new information about health and disease.
- tries to answer new questions that researchers have.
- needs volunteers to sign up.

Being in a COVID-19 research study is your choice.

COVID-19:

- is a new disease caused by a type of virus called coronavirus.
- may cause some people to have symptoms like cough, fever, weakness, muscle and other pains, and breathing problems.
- can be mild, but it can also make some people very sick.

Why should I be more careful around people?

- This virus spreads from a sick person to a healthy person very quickly.
- Being too close to your friends can pass the virus around.
- You sit and stand close to your friends when you are at school and when you play.



Why are there research studies about COVID-19 right now?

COVID-19 is a new virus so it is important to understand more about:

A virus doesn't have legs, so how does it travel?

- How the virus spreads.
- Why some people barely get sick and other people get very sick.
- Which treatments work the best.
- How to stop spreading it.

There are more adult research studies right now because adults seem to get sicker from COVID-19 than children.

It is very important to conduct studies with children to find treatments and prevention methods that are right for them.

Being in a study might help other people.

What else should I know about being in a COVID-19 research study?

- You can talk to your doctor, your parent, or any adult you trust to help you decide if you want to be in the research study.
- You can change your mind at any time.

More can be learned about COVID-19 if you join a research study.