



## Liverpool Household COVID-19 Cohort Study (COVID-LIV)

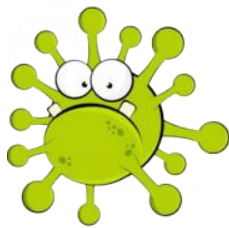
### Child 8-11 Years Information Sheet for COVID-LIV

#### What is a research study?

A research study is what doctors do when they want to learn about something, or find out something new.



#### What is the COVID-LIV study?



Viruses are tiny germs. They are so small that we can't see them. We are doing this study (called COVID-LIV) to find out how germs can pass from one person to the next person.

The germ we are looking at is called COVID-19. If people have this germ inside them, it can make them poorly.

#### Why me?

Your family took part in another study before this. Your family said we could talk to you all again. We need lots of people from lots of families to help.



#### What will happen if I take part?

##### 1. You will be asked to give a blood sample, a nose swab, and a throat swab



Your Mum, Dad, or the grown up who looks after you will answer some questions about you. The nurse will visit you at your house. On their first visit, they will gently prick one of your fingers and collect a very small blood sample. This won't take long and it only hurts a tiny bit.

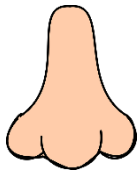
The nurse will take some swabs from you. The swab is like a long cotton bud – the nurse will gently put it inside your nose.

They will ask you to open your mouth. They will gently rub the back of your throat with another long cotton bud, and take a throat swab.



We will do tests on the swabs and tell your Mum, Dad, or the grown up who looks after you if you have the germ.

**2. You will be asked to give a nose swab once a week for 3 months, and a blood sample after 3 months**



Your Mum, Dad, or a grown up that looks after you will take a nose swab from you once a week. They will gently put the swab inside your nose – just like the nurse did when they came to see you. After 3 months, the nurse will come and take a nose swab and collect a small sample of blood, just like before.

We will do tests on the swabs and tell your Mum, Dad, or the grown up who looks after you if you have the germ.

**3. If you have a fever, a cough, a sore throat, or a poorly chest**

If you are not feeling well, tell your Mum, Dad, or the grown up who looks after you. Tell them if you feel hot or cold, have a cough, a sore throat, or a poorly chest.



They will let us know as well. We might need them to take another nose swab from you.

**4. If you have the germ, the nurse will visit you a few days later, and 2 weeks after that**



If you have the germ, the nurse will visit you a few days later, and then 2 weeks after that. The nurse will ask your family some questions about how you are. Then, the nurse will take a small blood sample – just like they did at the start of the study.

The nurse will take another nose swab from you and take a special swab for saliva. They will also test some of your poo – don't worry, your Mum, Dad, or the grown up who looks after you will help you with all of this!

We will also tell your doctor that you have the germ, so they can make sure you are OK.

The nurse will visit you again to take a bit of blood and to ask your family some more questions. This will be 3 months after you started the study, then again at 6 months, 1 year, 2 years and 3 years after you started the study.



## Do I have to say yes?

No, it's up to you! If you don't want to join in, just tell your Mum, Dad, or the grown up who looks after you. It won't change how you are looked after.



We want everyone in your house to help us. If you want to, but other people in the house don't want to, then you might not be able to take part.

If you decide to take join in, that would be really great. If you change your mind, that's OK as well. You don't have to tell us why you changed your mind.

## Will the study help me?

You and your family will know if you have had the germ or not. If you have been poorly, you will have to stay home for 1 week. After that, you can still do all the fun things you have been doing!



## Will the study upset me?

Your finger may be sore where the blood is taken, but it won't hurt for long.

The nurse will come in to your house, but they will wear gloves and a mask to make sure everybody is safe.

## What do I do if I have any questions?

Your Mum, Dad, or the grown up who looks after you have been given loads of information. If you have any questions, you can ring us on: **<telephone number>**

You can also check out our website: **<study website>**



Thank you for reading this leaflet!