

Research Assent Information Sheet
Prospective Assessment of COVID-19 in a Community
2022-2023 Respiratory Season Surveillance Period (PACC 3)

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Why are you asking me to be in this study?

- A research study is a way that we learn new information about something.
- We are trying to learn more about COVID-19 illness and vaccination in children.
- We want you to join this study because you live in or near Marshfield and participated in the previous COVID-19 community study.

What does it mean to give my assent?

- You can only be part of this research study if you agree to join. If you agree to join, that is called giving your 'assent'.

What will happen if I join this research study?

- If you join this study, we will ask you or your parent to:
 - Answer questions about you every week for about the next 7 months. Most of the time, we will ask about your symptoms and contact with others. At the start and end of the study, we will also ask about your house, health, and school.
 - Collect a sample from inside the front of your nose when you feel sick.
 - Bring you to the clinic for 1 to 3 study visits. One visit will occur at the end of the study. Other visits may be scheduled after you get the influenza or COVID-19 vaccine. At each visit, we will take about two (2) small spoonfuls of blood from your arm with a needle.
- If you get COVID-19, we may ask you or your parent to:
 - Answer questions about your illness 1 month after your positive test.
 - Bring you to the clinic for 2 more study visits. Like the other visits, we will take about two (2) small spoonfuls of blood from your arm with a needle.

How long will I be in this research study if I join?

- You will be in this study for about 7-9 months.

Could anything good happen to me because of this research study?

- Joining this study will likely not help you, but the new information we learn from this research might help others in the future. This is because researchers and doctors will use the results to help prevent COVID-19 in children.

Could anything bad happen to me because of this research study?

- Sometimes things happen to people in research studies that may hurt them or make them feel bad. These are called risks. The risks of this study are very small. You may feel a little pain or sore spot in your arm during or after the needle poke for the blood sample.

Do I have to be in this research study?

- You do not have to join this study. If you say no, no one at the Marshfield Clinic will be mad or upset with you.

If I say yes and join the research study, can I change my mind and stop later?

- You can change your mind later and stop being in the study. You can tell us or your parents that you want to stop. No one at Marshfield Clinic will be mad or upset with you if you change your mind.

If I think of questions about the research study, who can I ask?

- You can ask your parents questions about the research.
- You can ask any one of us the next time you come to the clinic.
- You can call us at 800-468-9700 or email us at pacc@marshfieldresearch.org