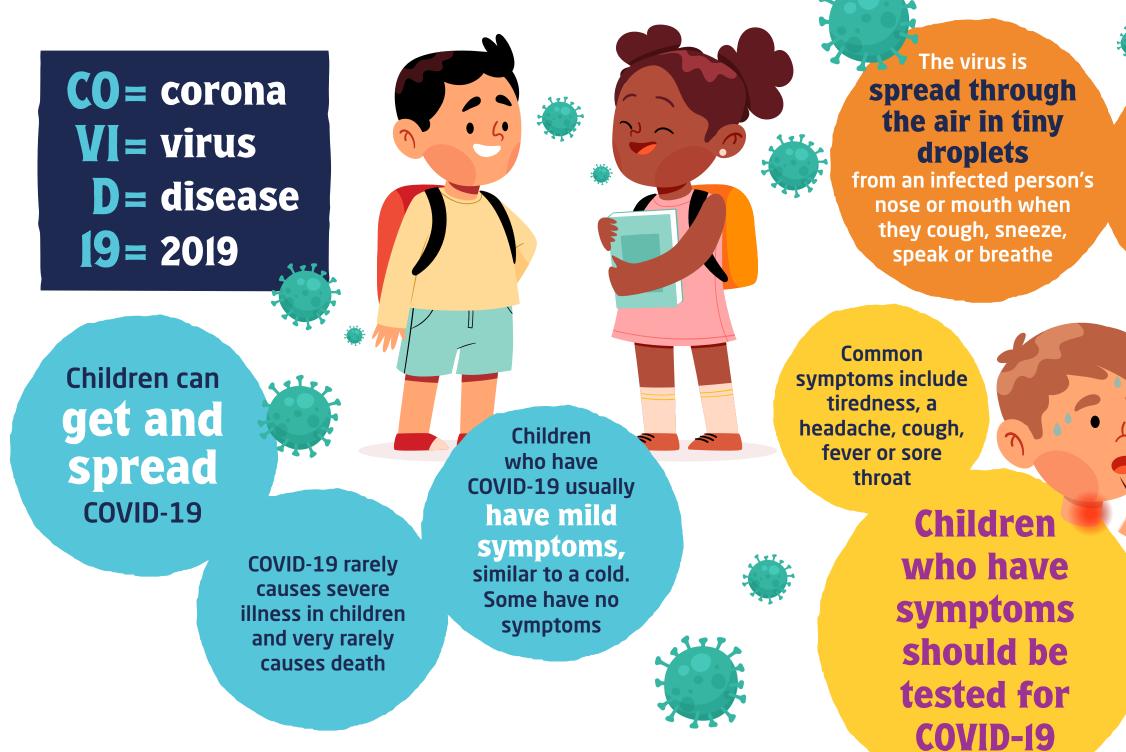


Centre for Community Child Health

COVID-19 and **Kids**

Our understanding of COVID-19 and children continues to emerge. This is what we know.



Some COVID-19 variants spread more quickly than previous variants

> **People may** become infected by touching surfaces contaminated with the virus then touching their eyes, nose or mouth

Children like adults - can protect themselves and others from the virus

by washing their hands, covering their mouth/nose when coughing and staying home if unwell

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lockdowns, school closures, and family financial hardship associated with the pandemic affects children's health and wellbeing

The social isolation,

Children experiencing disadvantage or who have pre-existing health conditions are at greater risk of severe disease

Free

and safe

vaccines are

available in Australia

for everyone aged

5 years and over

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