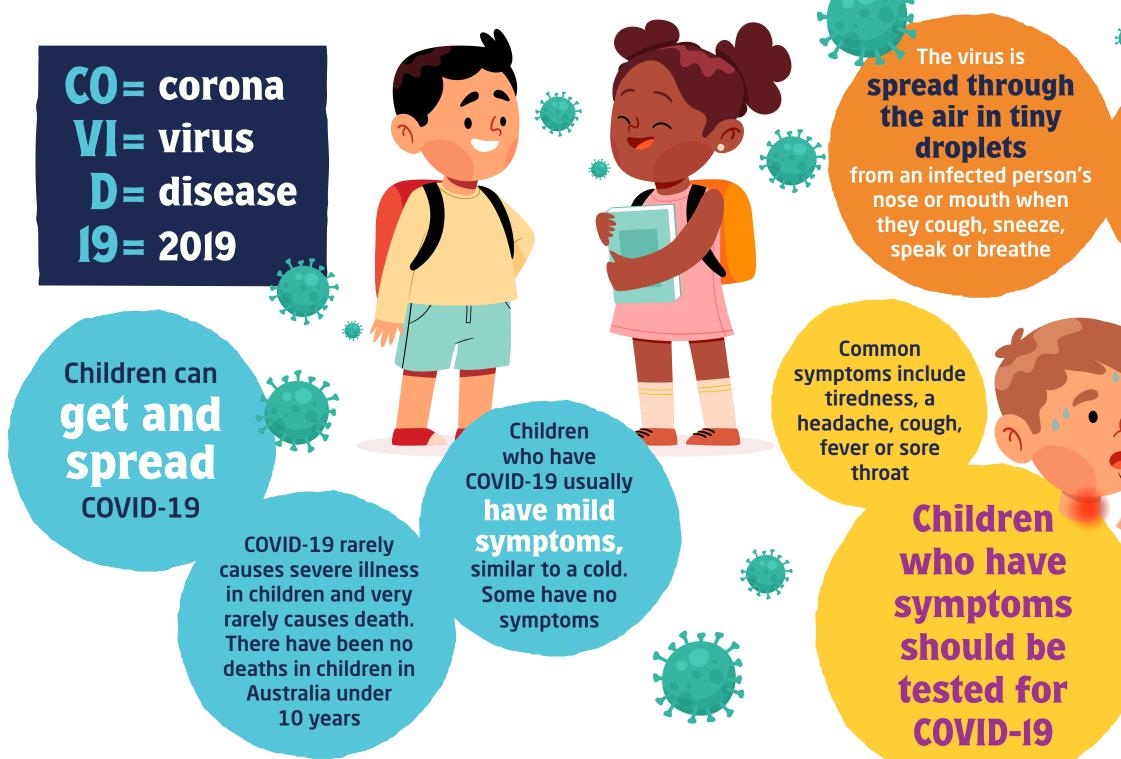


Centre for Community Child Health

COVID-19 and **Kids**

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





quickly than previous variants

Bread of COND **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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The social isolation, lockdowns, school closures, and family financial hardship associated with the pandemic affects children's health and wellbeing

Free and safe

vaccines are available in Australia for everyone aged 12 years and over

Vaccinations are not yet approved for children under 12 years. Clinicial trials are underway.

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

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