

# WEB-BASED INFANT FOOD INTRODUCTION (WIFI):

## FEASIBILITY AND SATISFACTION OF VIRTUAL ALLERGIIST-SUPERVISED FOOD INTRODUCTION

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### ALLERGY CARE DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC



In-person allergy services were postponed, delaying the introduction of allergenic foods to high risk infants.

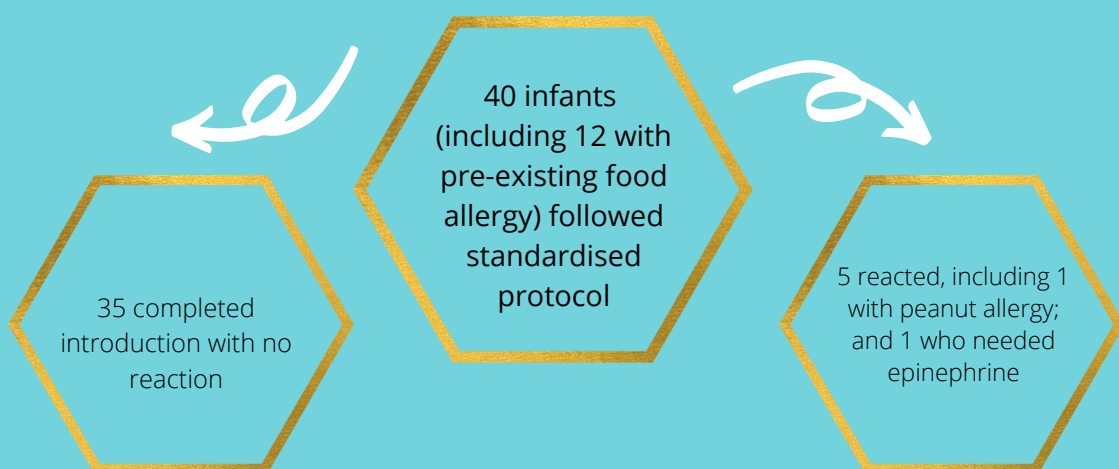


### DELAYED INTRODUCTION MAY INCREASE RISK OF FOOD ALLERGY

Allergists supported virtual food introduction to prevent delays.



### WE PERFORMED A MULTI-CENTRE QUALITY IMPROVEMENT STUDY TO ASSESS SAFETY, FEASIBILITY AND SATISFACTION OF VIRTUAL INTRODUCTION.



### MOST PARENTS AND ALLERGIISTS WERE SATISFIED

After virtual introduction:

- ✓ 12 parents reported that they would introduce new foods to their infant, that they would not have otherwise
- ✓ 15 parents said they would use this method in the future
- ✓ 39 allergists would continue virtual introduction, even once in-person visits become possible.



**Virtually-supported food introduction is an innovative and practical method for food introduction, both during the COVID-19 pandemic and beyond.**