



Survey Assent: Personal Impacts of the COVID-19/Coronavirus Study Ages 8 to 18

I am invited to complete this survey because some researchers are trying to learn about how the COVID-19 pandemic affects how people are doing and how they are coping. These people include patients and family members at BC Children's Hospital and people outside the hospital. I am being invited to complete this survey by Dr. S. Evelyn Stewart. This survey is not intended to be a doctor's test and does not represent the results of the doctor's test.

If I have questions, I can ask Dr. Evelyn Stewart (evelyn.stewart@ubc.ca; (604) 875 2000, extension 4725) or her assistant Antony Au (antony.au@bcchr.ca; (604) 875 2000, extension 3068). I can also let them know if I change my mind and do not want to continue this survey.

The results of this survey will be kept private. Any answers that could be used to know who I am will be stored *separately* from my answers, and my name will be replaced with a study code. I do not have to do this survey and nothing bad will happen to me if I decide not to complete it. It will take me about 15-30 minutes to finish. The survey will be closed on December 31, 2021.

My personal information is protected by the federal and provincial laws. I will be asked about my thoughts, and about my gender, age, ethnicity and sickness I may have. This is because the researchers want to figure out how these might affect my answers.

They are not trying to figure out who I am. When they share the survey results they will not include any information that could identify me. It is best that I have enough space to answer questions on my own. If I do need help, I can ask my parents/guardians for help. My parents/guardians should not be able to see my answers unless I am okay with it, and I should not be able to see theirs unless they are okay with it. Once I start the questions, I am given a unique code to answer questions again if I take a break. I do not have to give this code to my parents/guardians if I don't want to.

Only the study team and people helping the study team at BC Children's Hospital Research Institute will see my answers. They will look at all of the answers, which will be kept safely for 5 years. I can email evelyn.stewart@ubc.ca to find out what the study learned.

The researchers expect that some children and youth are having a hard time with their feelings and thoughts at this time. If I am worried about myself or about my parent, there are people who can help. These include the Kelty Mental Health Resource Centre, www.HeretoHelp.bc.ca, and the suicide hotline (1-800-SUICIDE; 1-800-784-2433). Since I don't need to let the researchers know how they can contact me, they will be unable to reach out to me based on my answers. But my answers will help them know how children and youth like me are doing.

Assent

I have read and understand this form. I freely assent to help out in this survey knowing my answers will be collected, used, and made known. My assent is implied when I complete this survey.

I assent (proceed to survey) <type full name>

I do not assent (please exit from survey)

Month and year of birth

Last Name

First Name