

Featured Presentation

“COVID-19 and Schools – kids, teachers, and family considerations”

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Answers to Top 9 Questions

1. What is the current understanding of how COVID is impacting kids/adolescents medically?
2. Should my community open schools? What do we know from other countries or communities? What is the evidence?
3. As a medical provider I am frequently asked by parents, “Should I send my child to in-person school? I have work... or we have a grandparent in our home... or my child didn’t learn very well online only... or I am pregnant now... What should I do?”
4. What are the most important core mitigation strategies for schools? For community at large?
5. How do we risk stratify symptoms in children and adolescents? We know kids get 6-8 URIs a year typically. When do I hold them out of school? When can they return? When do I recommend testing them for COVID?
6. What about extra-curricular activities such as sports, clubs, band, music...?
7. What are the implications for classmates/teachers if another student tests positive for COVID?
8. What guidance have we received from the state?
9. What is the most important message for me as a medical provider interfacing with my community on COVID and schools?