

# Navigating the Next Normal: HELPING K-12 SCHOOLS SAFELY PLAN, REOPEN, MONITOR AND ADAPT THROUGHOUT THE PANDEMIC

Children's National is lending its COVID-19 expertise to school systems in the region by offering a number of services to keep children safe and strong this academic year. Our goal is to ensure all children reach optimal health and achieve their full academic potential.



## CHILDREN'S NATIONAL COVID-19 SERVICE OFFERINGS



**Return to School Planning** Children's National providers will work with a school or school system to adapt health and safety guidelines to meet each school or school district's distinct situation.

**a. Review a School Plan:** Children's National will bring its experts in testing, occupational health, infection control, infectious disease and pediatric wellness to help review a school or school systems return to school plan.

**b. Develop a School Plan:** Children's National will develop for a school or school system a specialized return to school plan that takes into consideration the developmental needs of students during this unprecedented time.



**School Health Pandemic Consulting** will provide extra support to school nurses during the pandemic. School nurses will have access to Children's National experts on COVID-19 and Multisystem Inflammatory Syndrome in Children (MIS-C). Through the School-Based TeleHealth Program, school nurses will be provided with real-time knowledge of trends, policies and practice. Children's National providers will help schools assess the appropriate next steps in providing care to a student.



### COVID-19 Testing

**a. PCR Testing** for students and staff will be offered by the Division of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine. Children's National can provide a testing infrastructure that's tailored to a school or school system's needs as part of a suite of measures to create a safe environment for students, teachers and staff. Children's National will test all specimens. Please see link for testing options.

**b. COVID-19 Antibody Testing** will be available to those who would like to know if they have COVID-19 antibodies. COVID-19 antibody testing determines the impact of the pandemic on a school's population. Lab draw and testing will be performed by Children's National personnel.



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## WHY YOU SHOULD WORK WITH CHILDREN'S NATIONAL

For 150 years, Children's National has been committed to serving the needs of the community and putting children first. Working together with schools and school systems, Children's National can help safeguard the health and well-being of students and school employees as everyone considers how to return to school safely.



Provides school nurses with real-time consultative access to medical and infectious disease experts, who are well-versed in the ever-changing pandemic best practices, current policies and protocols



Creates an on-site, real time response to support school health staff



Provides schools and students with the best chance to have a productive learning experience during the pandemic



Timely management if there is a suspected COVID-19 exposure

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## CHILDREN'S NATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

Children's National Hospital is a top 10 children's hospital in the United States. Throughout the pandemic, Children's National experts have published articles on COVID-19 and MIS-C as well as been interviewed by numerous media outlets.

### Thought Leadership

- ✓ *The Journal of Pediatrics: Severe Coronavirus Disease-2019 in Children and Young Adults in the Washington, D.C., Metropolitan Region*
- ✓ *Pediatrics: Racial/Ethnic and Socioeconomic Disparities of SARS-CoV-2 Infection Among Children*

### Children's National in the News

- ✓ CNN
- ✓ The Today Show
- ✓ NBC Nightly News
- ✓ Fox News
- ✓ The Washington Post
- ✓ CBS Evening News



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