

NEWSLETTER

Belgian Paediatric COVID-19 Task Force

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Disclaimer:

The Belgian Paediatric COVID-19 Task Force critically reviews the most recent scientific literature.

Advices and guidelines reflect the state of the art at a particular time.

They can be updated based on new developments. Implementation is at your own responsibility.

- **Our latest achievement: no more testing under 3 years !**

Children **UNDER 3 years in most cases don't have to be tested in the current phase of the epidemic**, nor in case of symptoms, nor when they were in contact with a positive COVID-19 case: more info can be found [here](#) for Dutch and [here](#) for French (see especially in yellow).

According to the same procedure **crèches DO NOT HAVE TO be closed**, unless when a staff member has a proven COVID-19, or when 2 children in the same bubble are positive.

We would like to stress that it remains important to take a good history of cough, fever and specific symptoms like anosmia in parents ! (so they can be tested if needed)

Questions are welcome on covidpediatrie@gmail.com

- **Kind & Gezin and ONE have adapted their own policies to the recent changes:**

Please find the guidelines here: [ONE](#) and [K&G](#).

- **Camps**

The Task Force collaborated successfully with the government to get to a procedure for the camps. Please find it here in [FR](#) and [NL](#).



- **All info about children is combined in one topic on the Sciensano-website:**
You can find all procedures [here](#).
- **Please fill in the survey of the European Academy of Paediatrics about telemedicine:**
This survey is very important, since we can extract the results for Belgium afterwards and we can use these results to demonstrate the importance of our telemedicine activities to the government. Most of you are already registered members but for those who are not, please go to <http://www.eaprasnet.org> and click “create new user”.
- **We made a new (extended) list of all collaborators of the Paediatric Task Force:**
You can find everyone in alphabetic order [here](#).
- **Are there any new FAQ’s on COVID and children?**
Even if the COVID incidence is going down rapidly – especially in children – we try to keep our FAQ up to date:
[Dutch](#) and [French](#).

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