

WellKiwis Infant study: Yearly study activities

Enrolment

Electronic consent and questionnaire for you and your baby

***Baseline blood sample for those who have never provided a cord blood sample**

**You will receive a gift card for each swab/ blood sample provided.*

All swab results will be accessible after 1 – 2 weeks via Manage my Health or from your GP.



WellKiwis
influenza study

Influenza season (April – September)

Weekly online surveys on influenza (flu) vaccination date* and influenza-like illness (ILI), sent every Sunday for your baby. (Reminder sent on Wednesday, if not already completed.)
*if it is your baby's first flu vaccine, report the date of the 2nd dose.

If you report an ILI for your baby, our Clinical team will assess your symptoms and may contact you to arrange a swab.

Post-flu vaccine blood sample 3 – 6 weeks after receiving the flu vaccine.

****It is your choice whether you want your baby to have the flu vaccine.**

If your baby's swab result is POSITIVE for flu, you will be notified of the positive result as soon as possible.

If your baby's swab result is NEGATIVE for flu, you don't need to do anything.

The Clinical team will arrange a convenient time to collect a pair of blood samples from your baby after returning a POSITIVE flu result:

- One sample within 1 - 2 weeks following the positive result.
- One sample 4 – 7 weeks after.

Influenza off-season (October – March)

ILI surveillance for the year stops as the flu season has ended.
You will no longer receive Weekly online surveys for your baby or be asked to provide swabs.
If you require healthcare advice during this period, please consult your GP or call Healthline 0800 611 116.

Annual blood sample collection*

***We will contact you to arrange a convenient time to visit you to collect this sample.**

Post-season update newsletter

Annual online survey

Pre-ILI season update newsletter