

Government of the Netherlands

Testing children for coronavirus

If your child has one or more symptoms of COVID-19 you can make an appointment to get them tested.

How you do this depends on their age:



The child's parent or caregiver can call the national appointment line on **0800 1202** to make an appointment.

Please note: young children who have symptoms of a cold do not always need to be tested

Testing is only necessary if they have been in contact with someone who has coronavirus, or if they have other symptoms of COVID-19, or if they are included in an outbreak investigation.

Young children can also be tested if their doctor believes it is necessary, or at the request of their parent(s).



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Please note: when making an appointment for a child aged 12 to 15, both the parent/caregiver and the child must give permission for the test over the phone and at the testing site. A parent/caregiver must therefore accompany the child to the test.

Teenagers aged 16 and 17 can make an appointment themselves without the permission of a parent/caregiver.



Identity document

Take your child's identity document to the test, or make sure that your child takes it with them.



No parent or caregiver

If you are aged 12 to 15 and do not have a parent or caregiver who can give permission, call your doctor or the municipal health service (GGD) in your region to discuss whether testing is necessary.



Questions?

If you have any questions about how children are tested, contact the municipal health service (GGD) in your region. Visit their website to find the regional number to call for questions relating to coronavirus. For other questions related to coronavirus call o800-1351.