



### MIS BAIR trial update

December 2021

## We are excited to be sending you this update on the MIS BAIR trial!

As you know, MIS BAIR is working to understand if giving babies the BCG vaccine helps prevent infections and allergies.

#### New MIS BAIR website launched

### Same web address, different location!

We have launched our updated website, which is now hosted by the Murdoch Children's Research Institute. You can access it using the same web address <u>misbair.org.au</u>, or by clicking <u>here.</u> On our website you can find study updates and newsletters as well as our contact details to get in touch with us regarding your five-year visit.

We'd love to know if your contact details have changed, and if you have moved overseas or interstate and will no longer be able to attend your visit. Contact us today



### Five-year appointments

Despite the impact of COVID-19 and the many lockdowns, we have managed to complete **368** Part Two five-

year+ visits! Thank you to all the families who have attended or are booked in for their appointment.

We anticipate finishing five-year+ visits by the end of February 2022. There is still time to book in, so if you have not already, please follow your booking link, or contact us at <a href="misbair@mcri.edu.au">misbair@mcri.edu.au</a>, or 0427 871 863.

Wednesday appointments will be available in February for prep students who have Wednesdays off.

# What tests are planned at the five-year visit?

- Skin prick test for allergies
- Blood test (optional)
- Dental examination (optional)
- Cardiovascular assessment (optional)

Dental and cardiac visits have been extremely popular, and we've had very positive feedback about the overall experience from families!







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### Did you know...

Studies that collected blood samples pre COVID-19 give us a unique opportunity to understand more about COVID-19. Particularly why children are far less prone to severe symptoms than adults, and how the body responds to the infection. Samples stored from when your child previously participated in the MIS BAIR study may provide important information to address these questions.

#### **COVID Research**

With COVID-19 still in our community, you may be contacted by other MCRI research teams to see if you are interested in participating in COVID-related studies. This will only occur if you have consented to being contacted about future research during your MIS BAIR Part Two visit.

### Have your say...

In the coming months, you may receive an email from MIS BAIR asking if you'd be happy to complete a quick survey on your experience as a research participant. All feedback is anonymous and we thank you in advance for your valuable insights.

We'd like to take this opportunity to thank you for your time, patience, and commitment to MIS BAIR over the past five to six years. You have been amazing!

Wishing you and your family a happy and healthy festive season and all the very best to our MIS BAIR kids for the 2022 school year.

### Thank you!



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