RCH National Child Health Poll Questionnaire:  
Flu and flu vaccine

1. Thinking about your child and the flu vaccine BEFORE 2023. Did your child have the **flu vaccine** anytime BEFORE 2023 (eg in 2022 or before)? BY CHILD

Yes

No

Not sure

The **flu vaccine** for this season (autumn/winter 2023) will be available for children.

1. Please select which of the following statements best describes your plans for your child in relation to the **2023 flu vaccine**? BY CHILD  
   * + My child **has had the 2023 flu vaccine** in the past month
     + My child has not had the 2023 flu vaccine yet but I **plan on having them vaccinated** this year
     + I have **not decided** if my child will have the 2023 flu vaccine
     + I do NOT plan on having my child vaccinated against the flu this year
2. Below is a series of statements about the flu and the **flu (influenza) vaccine in children** **aged six months and over**. Please tell us how much you agree or disagree with each of these statements.

Strongly agree, agree, disagree, strongly disagree, not sure

* 1. For children aged over 5 years, the flu vaccine is not as important as the COVID-19 vaccine
  2. Children have too many vaccines and I don’t want my child to have the flu vaccine
  3. The flu vaccine may not work well enough to be worth having
  4. The flu vaccine is not safe for children
  5. I do not want to pay for the flu vaccine
  6. Healthy children don’t get seriously unwell from the flu
  7. It is not necessary to have the flu vaccine every year
  8. It is not safe to have the flu vaccine and the COVID vaccine at the same time
  9. Healthy children are unlikely to catch the flu
  10. Children can get the flu from the flu vaccine
  11. I am worried about the side effects of the flu vaccine in children
  12. My health care provider does NOT recommend the flu vaccine for my child/ren
  13. I am not able to pay for the flu vaccine
  14. The flu vaccine is only recommended for some children