Thank you!

You took part in the EEPRIS Study of children’s respiratory (coughs, colds and ear) infections. We are very grateful to you for your contribution to our research. We are pleased to report that the study was a success!

Purpose of the study:
• We wanted to see if we could collect information about the symptoms of these common illnesses in children in Bristol to test whether we could to roll this out on a large scale.
• We also wanted gather information about how long these common illnesses last, and what the actual bugs are (looking at children’s nasal and saliva swabs).

EEPRIS by numbers:
• 485 children took part in the study from:
• 331 Bristol families, who told us about:
• 346 new infections developing between February and August 2016
• 195 sets of swabs were collected while children were ill
• We had high follow-up rates, meaning that once taking part, parents really carried on contributing to the study
• Most of the respiratory illnesses lasted between one to two weeks
• We are still analyzing the swab samples. These results will be ready in 2017 (see website).

These are great numbers, representing a brilliant collective achievement.

Keep an eye on our website for study updates:
(more results, publications, developments of the work, contacts):

www.bristol.ac.uk/eepris

With best wishes,

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