



Child Care and the COVID- 19 Pandemic

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As the world is facing the COVID-19 virus in every areas and various life situation, still no final word on the exposure of children to COVID-19. In other words, reports shared with the public indicated that children are not vulnerable to contracting COVID-19, on the other hands cases were reported of children contracting the virus and similar COVID-19 symptoms were documented. In addition, the nature of baby care that a mother who is tested positive with COVID-19 can be altered due to her struggling with the disease. For example, is the child who is nursed by the mother who is currently under treatment for COVID-19 face physical symptoms or changes in his body and internal functions? Additionally, in the case of a recommendation to the mother who contract the virus to go for isolation “quarantined”, who will be responsible for caring for the child and is it critical for the child to be removed from environment where the mother stays? These questions need to be answered by the medical research authority in order to determine the nature of care and interaction between children and their care givers. Finally, in terms of vaccination as a measure to protect the public from contracting COVID-19, what age of children to be legible for Vaccination and what is the responsibility of parents to have those children received vaccination. Parents as a legal care giver of a children may have the right not to be vaccinated, but are they also responsible to vaccinated their children and in case of refusal are they responsible for denying vaccination. Besides having medical and legal discussion regarding parents’ care for children during the COVID-19 pandemic, educational and awareness Facts should be available to the public to promote understanding and effective care for parents and children during such difficult time.

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