

Information for participating in scientific research

Consent for Child (<12)

1. Introduction

Dear _____,

We would like to ask if you want to participate with research on 'ventilatory support'. In this letter you can find information about this research. Your parents also received this letter.

2. What is "ventilatory support"?

Ventilatory support is used to support your breathing. The mechanical ventilator 'pushes' air into your lungs, so you don't have to breath by yourself. Ventilatory support can also cause damage. This is why we are investigating the practice of ventilatory support in patients like you.

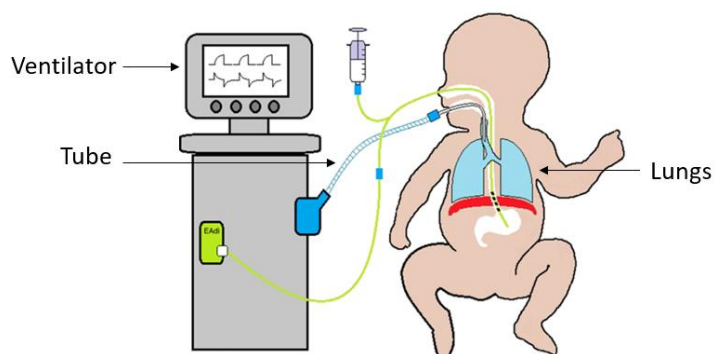


Figure 1. Here, you can see that the breathing of a child is supported by the ventilator. The ventilator pushes air in- and out of the lung via the tube.

3. Why are we doing this study?

The goal of this study is to understand how you and other children are being ventilated, so we can improve treatment and outcomes.

4. What will we do with the information we gather about you?

The information we gathered will be used for this research. The information is anonymous, so nobody can identify you. We will store the information in a secured database.

5. Is it safe to be in this study?

We only collected information on how you were treated in the hospital and did not change how the doctors took care of you.

6. Thank you

Thank you for reading this letter. We hope that you would like to participate with this research. If you have questions, please ask your parents or the doctors.