



## Multisystem Inflammatory Syndrome in Adults (MIS-A)



### Overview

This set of symptoms develops in some people infected with COVID-19. It happens when different parts of the body become inflamed. It may develop days or weeks after becoming infected. It can be life-threatening.

### Causes

What causes some people to develop this syndrome? Well, we don't know, exactly. We're still learning about how the COVID-19 virus impacts the body.

### Symptoms

What are the symptoms? Multisystem inflammatory syndrome affects many organs. This includes the heart and brain. With this syndrome, you have an ongoing fever. You may have stomach pain, vomiting or diarrhea. You may have bloodshot eyes. You may have a skin rash. And you may have dizziness or lightheadedness.

### Medical emergency

You may develop other serious symptoms, too. You can have trouble breathing. You can have chest pain. You may have a feeling of pressure in your chest. You may be tired and confused. Your skin, lips and fingernails may turn a bluish color. These are signs of a medical emergency.

### Treatment

How do we treat multisystem inflammatory syndrome? Well, it can be very serious, so don't ignore it. Get medical care as soon as possible. You may need to stay in the hospital. We can give you medicine, fluids and oxygen. Your doctor will create a care plan that's right for you.