Rare syndrome linked to COVID-19 found in nearly 600 U.S. children



Atlanta, August 12 (RHC)-- Nearly 600 children were admitted to U.S. hospitals with a rare inflammatory syndrome associated with the novel coronavirus over four months during the peak of the pandemic, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) said in a report.

Multisystem inflammatory syndrome (MIS-C) is a rare but severe condition that shares symptoms with toxic shock and Kawasaki disease, including fever, rashes, swollen glands and, in severe cases, heart inflammation.

It has been reported in children and adolescent patients about two to four weeks after the onset of COVID-19. The CDC report said state health departments across the country reported a total of 570 MISC patients diagnosed with the illness from March 2nd to July 18th.

Among the MIS-C cases, all patients tested positive for COVID-19 and 10 died, the CDC said in the report.

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