In a recent survey, 45% of clinicians said the pandemic has negatively impacted routine childhood immunizations.

Over 5 million kids in Canada are ineligible for a COVID-19 vaccine.

There was a 39% increase in food insecurity during the pandemic.

Almost 1 in 5 children live in poverty.

In the past year, some clinicians have seen twice as many infants for maltreatment-related concerns, specifically fractures and head trauma.

Among children, there has been a steady rise in drug-related injuries and deaths, as well as unintentional poisonings.

First Nations children represent 4% of the total child population in Canada... ...but they make up 36% of all foster children living in private households.

Children and youth are facing increased levels of eating disorders, substance-use disorders, suicide attempts, and an increased risk of stress associated with social isolation.

Among reported cases of student bullying, only one-third of cases result in a resolution.

During the pandemic, many children have demonstrated an increase in sedentary behaviours and a decrease in time spent outdoors.

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