Data from the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences shows more children are going into intensive care units. At Governor Asa Hutchinson's weekly press briefing today (Wed), Health Secretary Dr. Jose Romero revealed from December 2020 until now, there has been an 84.4 percent increase in pediatric COVID-19 hospitalizations. Romero said the data shows children are requiring more ventilator use since last year.

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Romero said there was a 63.6 percent increase in pediatric ICU admissions from January to July which is why he continues to encourage those who are eligible to get vaccinated to do so.