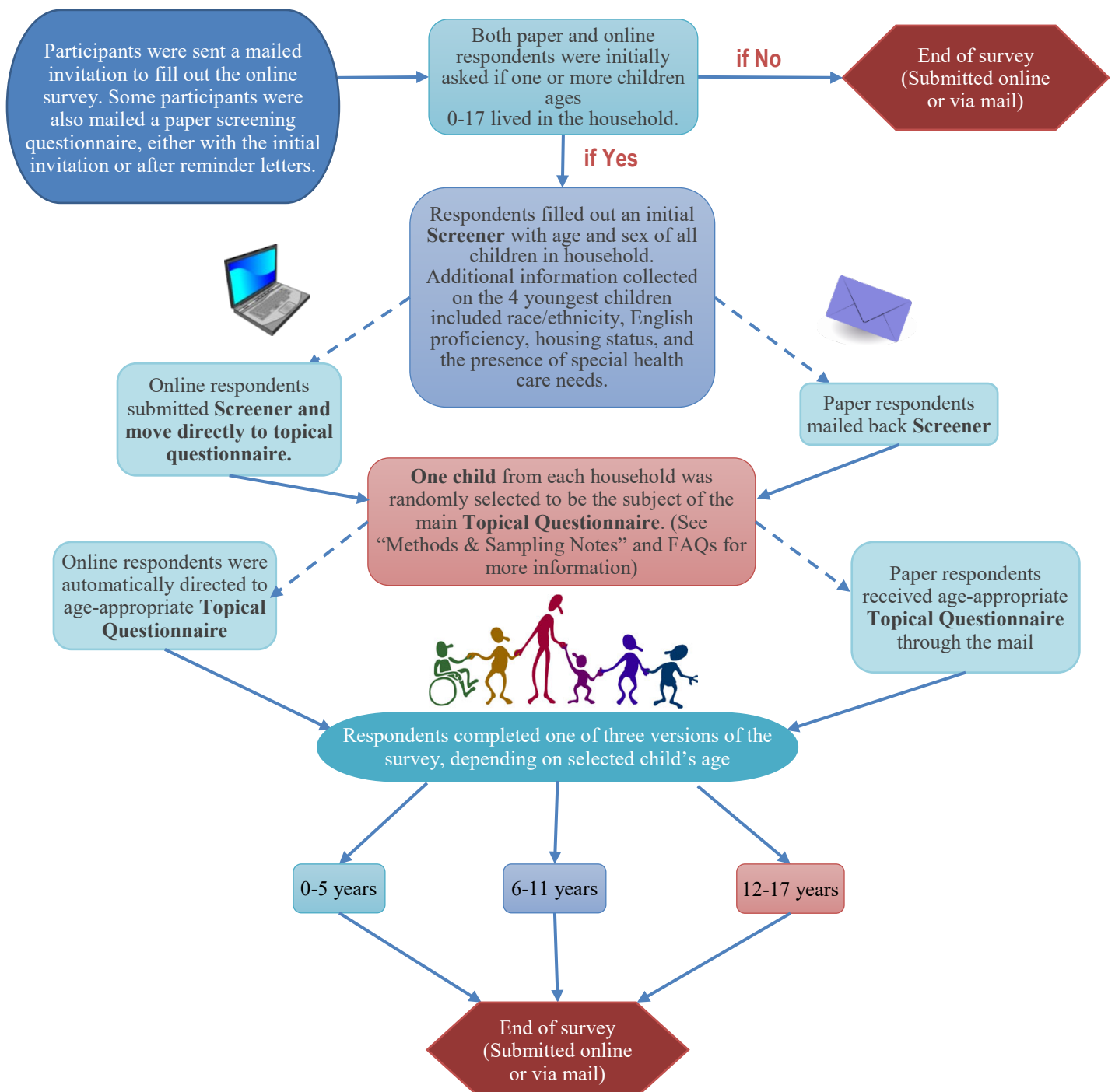


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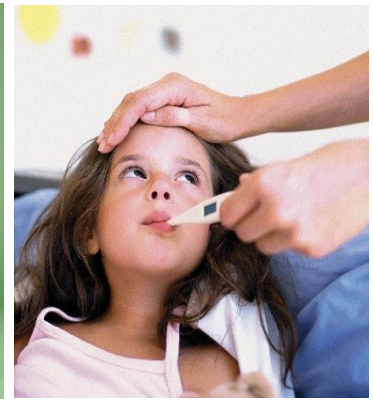
The 2018 *National Survey of Children's Health* was administered online and by mail. Randomly selected addresses from households across the United States were mailed instructions to access the survey online; some addresses also received a paper version of the screening questionnaire. After two reminder letters and postcard reminders to complete the survey by web, those households who had not accessed the online survey were mailed a paper screening questionnaire. Please see the "Methods & Sampling Notes" section below or the [NSCH Methodology Report and the Data User Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQs\)](#) for more information on this process.

Survey Administration



Methods & Sampling Notes

- To increase sampling efficiency, administrative data were used to determine addresses that were more likely to be households with children aged 0-17 years.
- The survey over-sampled children 0-5 years and children with special health care needs (CHSCN). This means that in households with 2 or more children, CHSCN and children 0-5 years old had a higher probability of being selected as compared to other children in the household.
- Number of surveys completed in 2018:
 - 176,052 households screened for age-eligible children in sampled addresses.
 - 71,335 children reported on completed screeners.
 - 30,530 child-level topical questionnaires completed (state ranges from 520 to 769)
 - 6,976 of topical questionnaires completed on CHSCN
- To view the questionnaires in English and Spanish, see: <https://mchb.hrsa.gov/data/national-surveys/questionnaires-datasets-supporting-documents>. In addition, respondents could access telephone-based assistance to complete the questionnaire in additional languages.
- For more detailed information on the NSCH, see: <https://mchb.hrsa.gov/data/national-surveys>, <http://childhealthdata.org/learn/NSCH>, and <https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/nsch.html>.



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