Temporary inpatient* visitor guidelines

*includes day surgery and procedure units
Frequently asked questions about COVID-19 restrictions

At OHSU, we believe that the support of friends and family is an important part of healing for a patient. In light of the COVID-19 coronavirus, we have had to make some temporary changes to our visitor policy to keep everybody safe.

Who can visit a patient?

- **No visitors** are allowed to visit any **adult patient**.
- **1 healthy adult** (age 18+) per day may visit a **child patient**.

What are the rules for visiting a patient?

- We request all visitors and support persons to either be **fully vaccinated** or have a **negative COVID-19 test result**, taken in the last 72 hours.
- Always wear a **mask**.
- Stay **6 feet** from others.
- Go through **screening checkpoints** when you enter buildings.
- **Clean hands** after entering the building.
- **Stay in the patient's room**.
- We may ask you to wait at home or outside if the patient is not in their room.
- We may limit visits in open treatment areas.

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How is OHSU keeping people safe in the hospital?

- OHSU has always had strict controls in place to stop the spread of infection. We are taking extra steps to keep patients, staff and visitors safe from COVID-19 by doing things like:
    - Adding checkpoints at building entrances to screen everyone for COVID-19 symptoms
    - Using more video and phone visits
    - Requiring most non-clinical staff to telecommute

How is OHSU responding to COVID-19?

- OHSU always has plans in place for disease outbreaks, and we are participating with state and local public health officials to coordinate a regional response to the coronavirus. The goal remains to contain the spread of the virus, known as SARS-CoV-2. Learn about OHSU's response to the pandemic here: [COVID-19 Resources for Oregon](#)

Friends and family are important! Please connect with your loved ones often over the phone or through electronic communication.

➢ For more information on the coronavirus and COVID-19, visit **www.ohsu.edu/coronavirus**.

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