

Visitor guidelines for COVID-19 positive patients or patients being evaluated for COVID-19

Legacy Health is committed to the safety of our patients, visitors, staff, and communities. Please help us keep everyone safe by following these guidelines.

Patients who are positive for COVID-19 or being evaluated for COVID-19 **will not be allowed visitors unless:**

- Patient has cognitive, behavioral, or other special needs,
- Patient is in labor or with a new baby,
- Patient is with end-of-life care,
- Patient is under 18 years old.

One (1) designated visitor will be allowed. This visitor must be the same person for the entire hospital stay. All visitors must pass a health screening. Disabled patients who have designated support persons are limited to one (1) support person at a time, but they may change out during the hospital stay.

Visitor exceptions for patients under 18 years old

The visitor must be a parent or direct caregiver. Parent or direct caregivers who do not pass the exposure part of the health screening will be allowed to visit unless:

- Visitor is sick,
- Visitor is being evaluated for COVID-19,
- Visitor is positive for COVID-19.

If one parent or direct caregiver meets the screening criteria but the other does not, only the parent/direct caregiver who meets the screening criteria can visit. If the screening criteria cannot be met by either, one parent or direct caregiver will be allowed to visit.

Visitors must wear personal protective equipment (PPE)

Visitors will be asked to clean their hands when entering and leaving the patient's room. The patient's care team will provide the needed PPE which may include a Legacy-issued mask, gown, and gloves to wear in the patient's room. Visitors must also follow mask guidelines outside the patient's room.

If visitors do not follow the guidelines, they will be required to leave the hospital.

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