

# Visitor Information Regarding COVID-19

Visitor Information During Covid-19  
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To ensure the safety of our visitors, patients, and employees, we have restricted visitors based on California Department of Public Health and CAL OSHA guidelines during the Covid-19 Pandemic.

If the visitor states that they have tested positive for Covid-19 within the prior 14 days, they will be denied entry, even if asymptomatic.

CDPH recommends that hospitals in all counties allow all patients to have up to two visitors from the same household at the same time, provided physical distancing can be accomplished and visitors comply with hospital visitor guidelines.

In addition, CDPH continues to recommend up to two visitors or support persons not necessarily from the same household at the same time, provided physical distancing can be accomplished, for specific patient groups to ensure support for their mental health and well-being:

- Pediatric Patients
- Patients at End-of-Life
- Patients with Physical, Intellectual, and/or Developmental Disabilities and Patients with Cognitive Impairments
- Surgery Patients:

- o CDPH recommends that up to two visitors be permitted until the patient is taken into prep (provided physical distancing can be accomplished), and up to two visitors when the patient is in recovery and preparing for discharge. Visitors may use waiting rooms if they are set up to maintain distancing between individuals and groups, and wear appropriate facial covering at all times in the waiting room.

Visitors do not need to be designated in advance by the patient. [Unvaccinated visitors returning from international travel should quarantine](#) and not visit the hospital until quarantine is completed; fully vaccinated visitors, however, do not need to quarantine after travel.

Each visitor, regardless of their vaccination status, should be screened for fever and COVID-19 symptoms; must wear a face covering upon entry and at all times within the facility; must wear other personal protective equipment (PPE) as appropriate while in the patient's room; and must physically distance from healthcare personnel and other patients/residents/visitors that are not part of their group at all times while in the facility. The only exception to face covering requirements and physical distancing is during certain situations in patient rooms, as described below. Facilities should also limit visitor movement in the facility. For example, visitors should not walk around in hallways of the facility and must go directly to and from the patient's room.

Hospitals will not necessarily know the vaccination status of all visitors and patients. However, if hospitals allow any different practices for visitors and patients who are fully vaccinated, they should ask visitors and patients if they are fully vaccinated. If a visitor or patient cannot provide documentation that they are fully vaccinated, the hospital can rely on a visitor or patient stating that they are fully vaccinated for purposes of following this guidance.

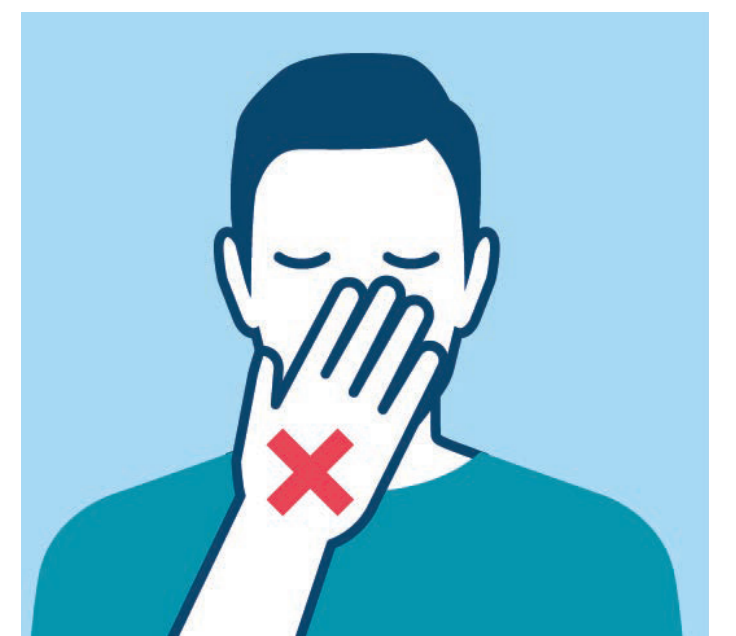
Visits between fully vaccinated visitors and fully vaccinated patients may be conducted without face coverings and physical distancing and may include physical contact (e.g., a hug, holding hands) and eating together, while alone in the patient's room (no other patients, visitors, or health care personnel are present).



**STAY HOME  
WHEN SICK**



**WASH HANDS**



**AVOID TOUCHING  
YOUR FACE**



**COVER WITH  
MASK**