

Stop. Please Read.

Do not enter if you have COVID-19 symptoms.

Pursuant to NCGS § 99E-71(b), please take notice of actions taken by Duke University Health System for the purpose of reducing the risk of transmission of COVID-19 to individuals present on these premises.

- Our top priority is the safety, health and well-being of our patients, visitors and team members.
- We are committed to protecting you, your loved ones and our team members from the spread of infection.
- We are using reasonable efforts to follow safety recommendations from the CDC and our infection prevention experts.
- Participate in health screening before you enter our facilities:
 - **Employees:** We require that our employees must conduct daily individual health screenings prior to entering our facilities and must self-report any potential symptoms of and exposure outside of work to COVID-19. Employees who are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms or who have been exposed outside of work to someone with COVID-19 will not be permitted to enter our facilities and have been instructed to stay at home, contact his/her manager and call the Duke Health COVID-19 Hotline at 919-385-0429, Option 1, to report his/her symptoms.
 - Patients & Visitors: We require that all patients and visitors participate in our screening process prior to entering our facilities. We conduct the patient and visitor screening process at designated access points to the institution. The screening process requires, among other things, that patients and visitors answer certain questions regarding potential symptoms of and exposure to COVID-19. Except for persons who are seeking medical care for themselves or persons who are authorized to accompany, join, visit, or stay with a minor patient pursuant to our visitation policy, individuals who are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms or who have been exposed to someone with COVID-19 will not be permitted to enter our facilities. Those permitted to enter our facilities must comply with all applicable requirements for reducing the risk of COVID-19 transmission.
- Wear a face covering: We require that everyone must wear an appropriate face covering while in our clinical environments. Patients and visitors may wear their own masks as long as they adequately cover the mouth and nose and have ties or earloops. Face coverings may not be bandanas, neck gaiters or have exhalation valves as these types of face coverings are not effective at preventing the risk of COVID-19 transmission to other people. The CDC recommends that children over the age of 2 should wear a face covering. If you do not have an appropriate face covering, we will provide a Duke-issued mask to you at a screening location.

- **Practice good hand hygiene:** We strongly encourage good and frequent hand hygiene, which includes the use of alcohol-based hand rub or handwashing with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. We require that everyone use hand sanitizer, which is provided during the screening process when you enter our facilities.
- Maintain physical distance: We expect that everyone who enters our facilities should maintain at least a six foot physical distance from others, where and when possible, at all times.
- Limit numbers of visitors: We have limited the number of people who enter our facilities, who gather and work in our spaces and who provide vendor services, goods and equipment to us.
- Enhanced cleaning protocols: We have initiated enhanced cleaning protocols throughout our facilities.
- Facilities upgrades: We have enhanced various facilities in an effort to reduce the risk of infection transmission.
- **Personal protective equipment:** We supply appropriate PPE to our team members who are required to wear it in our clinical environments.
- Employee education: We provide ongoing education and communication to our team members in an effort to reduce the risk of infection transmission.

Learn more at: DukeHealth.org/COVID-19-Update

