

COVID-19

Comfort Care Visitation Guidelines

JUNE 30, 2020



- **Visitors are not allowed for patients confirmed or suspected of having COVID-19.**
 - **All visitors must wear a mask (excluding N95 or other types of respirators) at all times. A UAMS mask will be provided if the visitor does not have one of their own. The mask should be changed every day or if it becomes wet, soiled or damaged.**
 - **All visitors must stay in the patient room at all times.**
 - **Visitors who do not follow these guidelines will be asked to leave UAMS and not allowed to return.**
1. Each patient will be allowed to designate up to FOUR visitors. The Assistant Director of Nursing (ADON) will determine whether a Visitor Exception applies.
 2. Visitors do not need to arrive at the same time. Once visitors arrive, visitors will not be able to leave the patient room. Once the visitor leaves the hospital, they will not be able to return as a visitor.
 3. Before visitation is allowed, the Visitor Safety Agreement must be reviewed and signed by the visitor.
 4. Once visitation has been approved, nursing or the patient's physician will notify the patient's family. The visitor names will be entered into the visitor exception log maintained at the Information Desk in the main lobby of the hospital.
 5. Please bring essential items such a medication. Other items will not be allowed in the patient room. Meals will be provided by UAMS.
 6. All visitors will be screened in the main lobby of the hospital when they arrive at UAMS and given a wristband to wear.
 7. During their stay, the patient's nurse will conduct a health screening of each visitor at least twice a day and document this in the patient's record. If a visitor does not pass the health screening, he/she will be asked to leave the hospital. Please notify the patient's nurse immediately if you develop any of the following symptoms: fever, cough, sore throat, shortness of breath, chills, muscle aches or loss of taste or smell.