

# COVID-19

## Women and Infants Visitor Safety Agreement

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The UAMS Women and Infants Service Line is dedicated to providing excellent care for you and your baby. To help ensure the safety of everyone on the unit and to ensure you enjoy your stay with us, the following visitor guidelines are in use on Mother/Baby units as COVID-19 safety precautions. These rules may change at any time as necessary to protect public health and patient safety.

- Each non-COVID adult patient may have one visitor at all times. A second visitor may be present during active labor and during normal visiting hours of 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Patients are limited to two visitors per day (significant other/support person and one other visitor). One person may stay with the patient overnight.
- Visitors to babies in the NICU may include a parent and one support person (such as another parent or a grandparent) and up to four additional visitors designated by the mother/guardian. Only two people may visit at a time from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. One person may stay overnight.
- Visitors may not use a CPAP machine while in the hospital as this puts those around them at increased risk of infection.
- Visitors must be 18 or older.
- Minor family members of non-COVID patients may be allowed to visit only during end-of-life situations. They must be accompanied by an adult (other than the patient) at all times.

### Requirements for Visitors

- Visitors (age two and older) must wear a mask at all times. Masks may be removed only for a brief time while actively eating or drinking or while sleeping. Neck gaiters, bandanas and vented masks do not provide enough protection from infection and are not approved for use as a face mask.
- Visitors must pass a health screening and wear a Guest Tracking System badge with their name and photo at all times.
- Visitors required or recommended to quarantine by the Arkansas Department of Health (ADH) due to illness, potential exposure, travel or other reason are not allowed at UAMS until cleared by ADH.
- Visitors must not gather in the lobby, waiting rooms or dining areas.
- Others waiting their turn to visit a patient should wait outside the hospital or in their vehicle.
- Visitors who are not wearing a face mask or other required personal protective equipment, not wearing protective equipment properly or are violating UAMS conduct standards will be asked to leave and will be removed from the building by UAMS security.
- Overnight visitors who are staying another day must return to the hospital's main lobby for a health screening and to get a new badge before 10 a.m.
- Visitors who violate these guidelines will not be allowed to return during the patient's hospitalization.

**Because you can be infected with COVID-19 and not display symptoms for several days, you must immediately report any of the following symptoms to nursing staff:**

- **Fever**
- **Cough**
- **Shortness of breath**
- **Sore throat**
- **Loss of taste/smell**
- **Diarrhea**
- **Unexplained body aches**

**If you learn that someone you have been in contact with before you entered the hospital is suspected or confirmed to have COVID-19, you must immediately report this to nursing staff.**

**I have read and understand this information and agree to abide by this Visitor Safety Agreement and all other UAMS visitor policies.**

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Visitor Signature

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Witness Signature

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Visitor Name (Print)

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Visitor Phone Number

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Time \_\_\_\_\_