

COVID-19

Visitor Guidelines

MARCH 10, 2022



COVID NEGATIVE PATIENTS			
Patient Type	Guidelines	Visiting Hours	Overnight Visitor
Non-ICU Hospital Patients	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Two adult visitors per day ▪ Two visitors may visit at a time 	8:00 AM – 8:00 PM	1
ICU Patients	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Two adult visitors per day ▪ Two visitors may visit at a time 	8:00 AM – 8:00 PM	0
NICU Patients	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ One Parent + one support person and up to 4 designated visitors for stay ▪ Two adult visitors per day ▪ Two visitors may visit at a time 	8:00 AM – 8:00 PM	1
End of Life Patients	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Up to 4 visitors at the bedside at the same time ▪ May include infants and children <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Children 2 and older must wear mask ○ Must be accompanied by an adult (other than the patient) at all times ○ Must remain in patient's room at all times ▪ No congregating in waiting areas (lobby, ICU) before or after visit 	24/7	1
Outpatient Appointments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 1 adult visitor 	During normal hours of operation	N/A
Emergency Department Patients	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 1 adult visitor allowed ONLY AFTER patient assigned to room. Charge nurse/attending physician may make exceptions based on clinical needs ▪ No visitors if COVID-19 + or being tested for COVID-19 due to symptoms ▪ Visitor must sign out of GTS and exit through ED when leaving hospital ▪ Visitor must re-enter through main lobby screening area if patient is admitted 	N/A	N/A
Surgery and Procedure Patients	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 1 adult visitor ▪ Eating and drinking are allowed only in waiting areas large enough to allow for safe social distancing 	During normal hours of operation	N/A

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Patient Type	Guidelines	Visiting Hours	Overnight Visitor
Hospital Patients Not End of Life	<ul style="list-style-type: none">COVID-recovered visitors allowed with Infection Prevention approval2 adult visitors per dayTwo visitors may visit at a timeMust wear appropriate PPE at all times while with patient	8:00 AM to 8:00 PM	0
End-of Life Patients	<ul style="list-style-type: none">4 designated adult visitorsUp to 4 visitors at the bedside at the same timeMust remain in patient's room at all timesMust wear appropriate PPE at all times while with patientNo visitor exchange permitted.	24/7	Contact ADON

**Stem Cell, Psychiatric Institute and Women and Infants Service Line patients may have additional guidelines. Ask your care team for more information.*

- A clergy member or religious or spiritual support person may visit patients in addition to the visitors outlined above.
- Visitors must pass a health screening and wear a face mask and a Guest Tracking System badge with their name and photo at all times.
- Visitors may leave UAMS and return the same day during visiting hours. Visitor exchanges are not allowed.
- Visitors must be adults aged 18 and older. The only exception is children allowed for end-of-life situations.
- Visitors should not congregate in hallways or waiting areas before or after visits.
- Visitors who have new respiratory symptoms such as fever, cough, runny nose, loss of taste or smell or who have tested positive for COVID in the past 10 days are not allowed at UAMS.
- A face mask covering your mouth and nose must be worn at all times unless you are sleeping or actively eating or drinking.
- Visitors may go to UAMS dining locations. Due to social distancing guidelines, we recommend you take food and drinks back to the patient's room. Hospital visitors may order food from UAMS Nutrition Services by calling 526-DINE. Payment by credit or debit card is required.
- Overnight visitors who are staying another day must return to the hospital's main lobby for a health screening and get a new badge before 8:00 a.m. each day.
- Visitors may not use a CPAP machine while in the hospital as this puts those around them at increased risk of infection.
- Patients and visitors are encouraged to use smart phones, tablets and other technologies to keep patients engaged with others. UAMS has devices you may use.

UAMS strongly recommends that visitors be fully vaccinated and boosted.

Visitors who do not follow these guidelines will be asked to leave UAMS.

All visitation exceptions outlined in the UAMS Visitor Guidelines are made pursuant to A.C.A. § 20-6-401 et. seq., The No Patient Left Alone Act.