



**COVID-19**

# Visitor Screening

## Visitor Screening Questions

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Question	Visitor	Patient arriving for procedure that can be delayed	Patient arriving for urgent procedure
<b>Have you received 2 doses of a COVID-19 vaccine?</b>	<p>If double vaccinated and have valid reason for visiting, may enter, must wear N95 mask.</p> <p>If not double vaccinated, the visitor may not enter.</p> <p>Exceptions will only be granted in the following circumstances:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• End of life</li> <li>• Essential carers</li> <li>• Support person for a birth</li> <li>• Parent/Guardian of a child under 18</li> <li>• Where a person has a physical or mental health illness or condition, or disability, which makes both vaccination and rapid antigen testing unsuitable; or</li> <li>• a person for whom both vaccination and COVID-19 rapid antigen testing are not safe.</li> </ul> <p>Where an exception to vaccination exists and a visitor is not vaccinated:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adult visitors must wear an N95 mask / face shield during their visit.</li> <li>• Surgical masks are required for children aged 8-17.</li> <li>• Evidence of a negative result from a COVID-19 rapid antigen test undertaken on the same day that the visitor attends the hospital should be provided.</li> <li>• Where a visitor cannot, after making reasonable attempts, obtain a COVID-19 rapid antigen test, one will be provided by Monash Health for completion prior to entry*.</li> </ul> <p>*If visitor has valid exemption from taking an RAT test they can enter but must wear Tier 3 PPE. Refusal to take an RAT test without a valid exemption means they cannot enter.</p>	<p>If asymptomatic, the patient should proceed with a surgical mask in place</p> <p>If symptomatic the patient should go and get a swab at one of our clinics, isolate until they receive the result, and call to rebook their procedure.</p>	<p>If asymptomatic, the patient should proceed with a surgical mask in place</p> <p>If symptomatic the patient proceeds with a surgical mask on, is swabbed and is managed in Tier 3 precautions for the procedure.</p>
<b>Do you have a fever, runny nose, cough, sore throat, or loss of smell or taste?</b>	Visitor should go and get a swab at one of our clinics and isolate until they receive the result.	Patient should go and get a swab at one of our clinics, isolate until they receive the result, and call to rebook their procedure.	Patient proceeds with a surgical mask on, is swabbed and is managed in Tier 3 precautions for the procedure.
<b>Have you spent more than four hours with someone who has COVID-19 inside a house, accommodation or care facility?</b>	Visitor should go and get a swab at one of our clinics and isolate until they receive the result.	Patient should go and get a swab at one of our clinics, isolate until they receive the result, and call to rebook their procedure.	Patient proceeds with a surgical mask on, is swabbed and is managed in Tier 3 precautions for the procedure.
<b>Have you been advised to isolate by contact tracers?</b>	If they have completed required testing and isolation they may visit.	If they have completed required testing and isolation they may visit.	Patient proceeds with a surgical mask on, is swabbed and is managed in Tier 3 precautions for the procedure.
<b>Have you arrived in Australia from any overseas location in the last 7 days</b>	Arrivals from overseas cannot enter a hospital for 7 days after arrival and after having received a clear PCR test between days 5-7.	<p>Arrivals from overseas cannot enter a hospital for 7 days after arrival and after having received a clear PCR test between days 5-7.</p> <p>If the patient doesn't meet the requirements above, they should rebook and return.</p>	Patient proceeds with a surgical mask on, is swabbed and is managed in Tier 3 precautions for the procedure.

Visitors can contact the Department of Health Coronavirus Hotline on 1800 675 398 for advice and support.