

To protect patients, staff, and the University of Chicago Medicine community, **NO VISITORS** are being allowed at the University of Chicago Medical Center because of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. This change begins Wednesday, November 18. Limited visitation will be allowed for the pediatric patient population.

- **Adult Inpatient:** Visitor restriction begins Wednesday morning at 7 a.m. Visitation will only be allowed in end of life situations. Additional exceptions may be made by the clinical team with the approval of the nurse manager. The Hospital Operations Administrator (HOA) will manage visitor exceptions after hours.
- **Surgical and Procedural Services:** Visitor restriction begins Wednesday morning at 7 a.m.
- **Adult Ambulatory:** Restrictions on capacity in the ambulatory setting have remained in place since March and patients are asked to present alone for their appointments. One support person may accompany a patient if they need assistance due to physical or cognitive impairment.
- **Comer Children's:** One parent/guardian may accompany a pediatric patient and remain at the bedside of admitted patients. The designated individual may transition with others during the admission but only one person should be at the bedside at one time.
- **Women's Care:** One support person may remain with the patient. One certified doula may be at the bedside as well during active labor.
- No visitors under 18 will be allowed. In all cases where exceptions are granted, visitors will be required to undergo a health screening and will be required to wear a mask at all times. Anyone with a fever, cough, or flu-like illness will not be allowed to visit patients or accompany them to appointments.