KEEPING YOU SAFE at Kennedy Krieger Institute



Your health and safety are our top priorities. As our communities begin to reopen, we want you to know how we are diligently working to keep our sites safe and minimize the risk that patients, students and staff members will contract the new coronavirus. We want you to feel confident regarding your safety when you visit one of our sites.



Testing and Screening

All patients, visitors and staff members are screened for symptoms, and we have implemented temperature checks at the entrances to our locations. All hospital patients are tested for COVID-19 before admission, and we are continually screening our staff members and potential patients for COVID-19-related symptoms and acting accordingly. Anyone with symptoms will not be allowed to enter the building.

Masks

Everyone entering a Kennedy Krieger building will be required to wear a surgical, procedural or cloth face mask. If you don't have a mask, one will be provided. This masking approach will serve to protect our patients and other staff members. A mask protects others from your droplets. Masks are not required for children under 2 years old, anyone who has trouble breathing, or anyone who is otherwise unable to remove the mask without assistance. Your healthcare provider will be wearing both a mask and a face shield.

Social Distancing

To keep all of our patients and staff members safe, we've redesigned our patient areas and streamlined the registration process to ensure social distancing, which protects you, other patients and our staff members. We are spacing out appointments in order to limit the number of people in our buildings at any one time. Only one adult visitor per patient is permitted to visit, and no visitors under the age of 18 are allowed to visit.

Cleaning and Hand Hygiene

We have enhanced our cleaning and disinfecting procedures throughout all of our sites, clinics and patient areas, as guided by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). We are washing our hands frequently, and we are equipped with plenty of soap and alcohol-based hand sanitizer. Our providers sanitize and wash their hands before and after every interaction with patients, and we will be encouraging patients and visitors to frequently clean their hands.