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, families, visitors 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 coronavirus exposure at the entrances to our locations. All hospital patients are tested for COVID-19 before admission, and we are continually screening our patients, students, visitors and staff members for COVID-19-related symptoms and acting accordingly. Anyone with symptoms will not be allowed to enter the building.

**Masks**
Everyone—including all patients and visitors—must wear a surgical, procedural or cloth face mask at all times while inside a Kennedy Krieger building. Exceptions: Children under 2 years old, anyone not able to independently remove their mask, and anyone not able to tolerate wearing a mask. If you don’t have a mask, we will provide you with one. Your clinicians will be wearing masks at all times. Our masking approach protects our patients and their families, as well as our staff members.

**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. For outpatient clinics at all locations, each patient is permitted two adult support people older than 18 years of age, or one adult support person and one sibling under the age of 18. Our inpatient hospital permits two designated adult caregivers per patient. At this time, siblings are not permitted in our inpatient hospital.

**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 clinicians sanitize and wash their hands before and after every interaction with patients, and we encourage patients and visitors to frequently clean their hands.