

USC Verdugo Hills Hospital

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NOTICE

Statewide Mandate: Effective August 11, 2021 Visitors to show proof of vaccination or negative COVID-19 test

Dear Patient and Family,

Thank you for choosing USC Verdugo Hills Hospital for your care. Los Angeles County continues to experience a rise in COVID-19 cases. Because of this, the California Department of Public Health has issued an order requiring that **all visitors to health care facilities show valid proof of vaccination OR valid proof of negative COVID-19 test obtained within 72 hours upon entry beginning August 11th.**

- People are considered fully vaccinated 2 weeks after their second dose in a 2-dose series, such as Pfizer or Moderna vaccines, or 2 weeks after a single-dose vaccine such as Johnson & Johnson's Janssen vaccine. If you don't meet these requirements, regardless of your age, you are **NOT** fully vaccinated.
- Unvaccinated or partially vaccinated visitors are eligible for visits with approved documentation of a negative COVID-19 test (test must have been collected within 72 hours of each visitation).

For our general inpatient units, we will continue to allow two visitors at a time, for one hour at a time. We continue to require that all visitors always wear their mask over the nose and mouth and participate in wellness and symptoms screenings at our facility entrances. **Masking is required regardless of vaccination status, and visitors not wearing (or not properly wearing) an approved face covering may be asked to leave.**

We understand that this is a difficult time to receive care or visit loved ones in the hospital, and we want to ensure that your safety is our top priority. We encourage additional communication with your family by using video apps such as FaceTime, Skype, Zoom or Duo. If you need assistance, please feel to contact me directly.

Thank you for your partnership,



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Visitor Guidelines

Visitor Guidelines for USC Verdugo Hills Hospital detail practices to maximize the safety of all who enter our hospital.

As of 8/11/21



Visiting hours are from 10 am to 6 pm at USC Verdugo Hills Hospital.

Patient Populations	Visitors	Notes
Inpatients (excluding patients with COVID-19)	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 visitors can visit a patient at a time, for up to one hour. • Patients at end-of-life are allowed visitation throughout. • Proof of vaccination or valid negative COVID-19 test must be presented to security before visit. COVID-19 test must have been collected within 72 hours of visitation.
Inpatients with COVID-19 or suspected COVID-19	No Visitors	Virtual visits are encouraged for patients who are COVID-19 positive or are suspected COVID-19 positive. End-of-life visitation is an extenuating circumstance where the House Supervisor may approve 15-minute visitation.
Labor & Delivery / Post-Partum	2 / 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 birth partner + 1 additional person for Labor Delivery. • 1 birth partner in Post-Partum.
NICU	2	2 parents.
Gero Psychiatric Unit	1	Visitation <u>based on physician approval</u> .
Emergency Department	1	1 visitor per patient <u>if space permits</u> .
Perioperative Services, GI Lab, and Procedures	1	1 visitor per patient <u>if space permits</u> for time up to surgery / procedure. Request for visitor to leave the building and come back. Exceptions made by RN for visitor to stay for duration.