

UNMC Cores Visitor Information

Updates regarding COVID-19, updated March 24, 2020

As the situation surrounding the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) continues to develop, UNMC has developed updated policies regarding visitors to our core facilities.

First, any visitations to campus should be limited, or canceled (if possible), for the time being. If there is a **<u>critical</u>** need that requires an in-person visitation, the following measures should be implemented:

- 1. Core personnel should ask their visitors the COVID-19 screening questions (see below). If they answer "Yes" to any of the questions, they should refrain from visiting campus. They should be asked these questions before they travel to our campus, as well as before they enter any buildings.
- 2. Anyone who continues their visit to UNMC must be met at the door and escorted into the facility by UNMC personnel. They must wash their hands upon enter the core facility.
- 3. Visitors must always have UNMC personnel escorting them.
- 4. Visitors must maintain appropriate social distancing practices.
 - a. Remain at least 6 feet (~2 meters) from one another.
 - b. There should be no more than 10 people in any given room.
- 5. Visitors are not permitted to access or walk through any patient care areas, nor should they access any common spaces (e.g., the cafeteria).

Screening Questions for Visitors

Ask any potential visitors the following questions. If they answer yes to any of them, do not continue with the visitation and ask them to reschedule when appropriate.

- 1. In the last month, have you traveled to an area with a widespread outbreak of COVID-19*, or have you had close contact with a person known to have COVID-19?
 - a. *For information regarding this question, visit the <u>CDC site here</u>.
 - i. If yes: do not schedule/permit a visitation, encourage them to contact the Department of Health, re-call in one week, and allow them to reschedule at some point after a 14-day quarantine period has ended.
- 2. Do you have a cough, fever, rash, runny nose, muscle aches, or sore throat*?
 - a. *Any one symptom is considered positive
 - i. If yes: do not schedule/permit a visitation, re-call in 5 days.
- 3. Have you traveled outside the country within the last month?
 - a. For information regarding risk assessment by country, visit the <u>CDC site here</u>.
 - i. This is an evolving situation. Please check the current risk of the specific area traveled at the CDC and plan accordingly.
- 4. If answers to all previous questions were "No", the visitation may occur. Please still follow all safety measures outlined above and practice proper hygiene (avoid touching your face, wash hands for at least 20 seconds with soap and hot water, maintain social distancing, etc.).

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