

Visitor Guidelines during COVID-19

Can I bring someone with me to my appointment?

Yes. You are allowed to bring up to two people with you. However, there may be times when you cannot bring visitors, depending on your treatment or the size of the clinic. **Please check with your cancer care team to confirm.**

Each person you bring must be fully vaccinated against COVID-19

Your visitors need to show their BC Vaccine Card and photo identification at the entrance to the BC Cancer centre

Some people do not need to be fully vaccinated:

- Children under 12 years old.
- People with an approved medical exemption document.
- People who are with you for compassionate care, your physical and mental well-being and to support your decision-making.

If you are receiving palliative or end-of life care, you may be allowed to bring more than two people with you. Talk to your BC Cancer health care team.

What do I need to know before going to a BC Cancer centre?

- All patients and visitors must wear a medical mask in all areas of BC Cancer centres.
- We will give you a medical mask when you arrive. If you are wearing a non-medical mask (like a cotton mask), you will have to take it off and wear the medical mask.
- Wash or sanitize your hands when you enter and exit the centre.
- Please respect others' personal space and follow instructions on signs.
- Sneeze or cough into your elbow.
- Please allow extra time for parking and the COVID-19 screening process.
- **Do not enter if you are sick or have symptoms of COVID-19.**

This includes:

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| • fever | • headache |
| • sore throat | • muscle aches |
| • loss of appetite | • shortness of breath |
| • chills | • fatigue |
| • loss of sense of smell or taste | • runny nose |
| • nausea or vomiting | • diarrhea |
| • cough | |



Should I still go to my cancer clinic appointment if I am feeling unwell?

If you are sick or are required to self-isolate, call your cancer centre. Your appointment may need to be rescheduled. We may offer you a virtual appointment. Please follow instructions from your health care team.

For more information on COVID-19 and vaccines, visit:

BC Centre for Disease Control: www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19

BC Vaccines: www.getvaccinated.gov.bc.ca

Thank you for doing your part to keep our patients and staff safe