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The Royal Children's Hospital has strict measures in place to help patients, families, visitors and our staff stay safe and well during COVID-19.

Rapid Antigen Testing for Rosella and Butterfly Wards

Under our current guidelines, visitors to Butterfly and Rosella wards need to undertake a rapid antigen test **on the following days** before coming into the hospital.

Butterfly ward	Tuesday, Thursday, Sunday
Rosella ward	Wednesday, Friday

Unvaccinated visitors

All people 18 years of age and over who have not had two doses of a COVID-19 vaccine are required to undergo a Rapid Antigen Test:

- before visiting patients
- before accompanying patients for Specialist Clinic appointments

Other visitors

Under certain circumstances, other visitors may be asked to complete a rapid antigen test as part of their check in process.

About Rapid Antigen Testing

Rapid antigen testing is a quick COVID-19 screening tool, with result in 15 minutes. It works by detecting antigens or proteins on the surface of the COVID-19 virus.

Help us stay COVID Safe

When visiting The Royal Children's Hospital you will need to sanitise your hands, wear a surgical or N95 mask (that covers your chin and nose) and maintain social distancing. We provide hand sanitiser and masks for visitors. If you have any symptoms of COVID-19, please stay home and get tested immediately.

Questions

If you have any questions or feel you have special circumstances, please speak with your treating team before arriving at the hospital. Outpatients should direct questions to the Specialist Clinics area: (03) 9345 6180

Current visitor guidelines and limits can be found at rch.org.au/info/Visitor_Guidelines