

Rapid Antigen Testing



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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:

Rapid antigen testing will be required for symptomatic visitors and we will check with the treating clinical team if there are any other restrictions.

Recommendations for visiting a hospital after testing positive to COVID -19 are as follows:

- If a COVID-19 case leaves isolation after 5 days, they cannot visit the hospital on day 6 or 7.
- It is strongly recommended COVID positive cases continue RAT testing up to and including day 10. If you continue to return a positive result, you should avoid sensitive settings (hospitals) up until 10 days after your first positive test.

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