

# COVID-19 information for families

While your child is at Perth Children's Hospital, please help us reduce the spread of COVID-19.

## What if my child is COVID-19 positive and I am not?

We will apply extra precautions to reduce the risk to staff members and other patients from becoming infected. As you have been in contact with your child, we will still manage you as a "close contact." Please follow this advice:



**Wear surgical masks**



**Wash your hands regularly**



**Monitor for symptoms**



**Use a rapid antigen test (RAT) if symptomatic**



**Please don't visit any PCH communal areas (e.g., cafes, parent / family areas)**

## What if I am COVID positive but my child is not?

Your child will be managed as a "close contact". We will apply extra precautions when caring for your child to reduce the risk of others becoming infected. Your child will be monitored for symptoms and will have a test for COVID-19 at the required time. It is preferred that a COVID-19 positive caregiver does not visit their child. If this is unavoidable, we will support you.

Please limit other visitors to reduce the risk of spread of COVID-19 until they are better.

## What if my child is a close contact of another patient or health care worker?

If your child has been in contact with someone who is COVID-19 positive, they will be considered a "close contact". We will apply extra precautions when caring for your child to reduce the risk of others becoming infected. Your child will be monitored for symptoms and will have a test for COVID-19 at the required time.

Visitors who are COVID-19 positive and are not the primary caregiver, must not attend the hospital.

## How do I test for COVID-19?

Rapid Antigen Tests (RATs) are still available from pharmacies or ask the ward staff for one.



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