

Johns Hopkins Hospital 2016-2017 Respiratory Virus Season

Patient and Visitor Information

- ❖ *Always clean your hands using soap and water or Purell before entering and when leaving a patient room.*

While you are being evaluated for a viral respiratory illness and if a respiratory virus is identified:

- ❖ You are on droplet precautions. This means that family members, visitors and staff are expected to wear a gown and gloves to enter your room and wear a mask with eye protection when within 6 feet of you.
- ❖ To maximize your safety and the safety of other patients, you may be required to change rooms during your hospital stay.
- ❖ You must limit your movement around the hospital and only leave your room for essential medical procedures. If you do need to leave your room for a medical procedure, you must clean your hands and put on a mask.
- ❖ Before leaving your room, family members and visitors are expected to remove their gloves, gown and mask and clean their hands.

Visitation

- ❖ No one with a fever and respiratory symptoms may visit. Anyone with respiratory symptoms but no fever who must enter the hospital should put on a mask as soon as they arrive.
- ❖ Please ask the nursing staff if the unit has any restrictions regarding children visiting.

Thank you for helping us to prevent the spread of respiratory viruses. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask your doctor or nurse.