Coronavirus Information from Singing River Health System

Singing River Health System continues actively monitoring developments of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) as the health of our patients, guests, team members, and the community is our paramount focus, a responsibility we take very seriously.

What To Do If You Suspect You May Be Infected?
Please call us at 228-809-5044 before coming to any of our locations.

The criteria to be tested are:

- Cough PLUS fever more than 100.4° or shortness of breath AND
- Traveled to an area with widespread, ongoing transmission
- Age 65+ or a compromised immune system
- Contact with a confirmed/suspected case of COVID-19

If you have symptoms of cough and low-grade fever less than 100.4° we suggest you STAY AT HOME and contact us at 228-809-5044.

Health System Visitor Protocols
In order to protect our patients and all staff we have extremely limited access to our hospital locations to no visitors unless the individual is essential or directly involved in patient care.

**Pascagoula Hospital:** Patient Registration (ground entrance and directly up the designated elevators to reach the registration area) and Emergency Room Entrance  
**Ocean Springs Hospital:** Patient Registration, Emergency Room, Same-Day Surgery

ALL arriving patients and essential visitors will be asked a series of safety questions outside of every entry point of our hospitals before allowed entry. Once inside we will confirm the reason for visitation.
It is important to note that you are more likely to catch COVID-19 in a large public setting than at one of our facilities, as our strict infection prevention protocols are in place and our airways are continuously filtered through a UV antibacterial purification system.

**Stay Informed with Singing River Health System**
Keep up with the latest information about the virus on our website at [www.singingriverhealthsystem.com/coronavirus/](http://www.singingriverhealthsystem.com/coronavirus/)

COVID-19 is spread when people are in close contact with an infected person (within about 6 feet), spread through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes and those droplets make their way into another person’s mouth, nose or eyes.

**Protecting Seniors**
Singing River urges those at the highest risk that are older members of our community with other chronic diseases to avoid unnecessary contact with large groups of people or individuals.

**What else can you do to help?**
- Wash your hands, avoid touching your nose and mouth, avoid contact with sick people, clean and disinfect any frequently touched objects and surfaces.
- Share with people that it is **NOT too late to get the flu shot**. This protects others from the flu, avoids causing clog to the system for people that might actually get the Coronavirus and need treatment or testing, and it keeps the at-risk community of elderly and chronically-ill people safer.
- Give blood.
- If you know someone who has a fever and minor flu-like symptoms, ask them to **stay home** and call us at **228-809-5044**.

“We WILL get through this. **Stay Singing River Strong.**” – Lee Bond