



Beacon Hospital  
Sandyford, Dublin 18  
D18 AK68  
  
Tel: 01 293 6692  
[www.beaconhospital.ie](http://www.beaconhospital.ie)

Version 1.6.2021

# KEEPING YOU SAFE COVID-19 COMPLIANCE



## KEEPING YOU SAFE COVID-19 COMPLIANCE

During these extraordinary times we have extraordinary measures in place to keep you safe. Beacon Hospital is fully Covid-19 health and safety compliant and we are doing everything we can to keep our patients and staff safe. Here are some of the measures we have in place:

### In-House IPC

We have our own in-house Infection Prevention Control Team who follow strict HSE guidelines. The IPC team carry out daily checks to ensure all protocols are being adhered to.

### Assessment Desk and Temperature Checking

All persons entering the hospital must first complete a Covid assessment questionnaire. Our new high-tech thermal scanners automatically check the temperature of each individual entering the building. We have implemented automatic temperature checking on all our staff clock in machines.

### Enhanced Cleaning

We have enhanced cleaning schedules paying particular attention to doors, lifts, seating, stairs rails, high traffic areas and theatres.

### Automatic Doors

Automatic doors have been fitted at various locations throughout the hospital. This reduces the need to touch door handles.

### Hand Hygiene

All staff are continuing to maintain the strictest level of hand hygiene. Hand hygiene is performed regularly with particular attention being paid after patient contact. We encourage patients to practice this same level of hand hygiene. You may be asked by staff members throughout your hospital journey to wash or sanitise your hands. We ask that you comply with these requests.

### Increased Sanitation Stations

We have increased the number of hand sanitising stations throughout the hospital and have a checking system in place to ensure they are always fully stocked.

### Covid Test For Unvaccinated Patients

Patients who have yet to be fully vaccinated will be Covid tested prior to admission for an inpatient stay or general anaesthetic surgery.

### Vaccinated Patients

Vaccinated patients must bring their proof of vaccination with them when attending the hospital.

### Social Distancing Waiting Areas

All waiting and reception areas have been reconfigured to adhere to social distancing guidelines. This includes having shared seating arrangements removed and the introduction of Plexiglas screens in smaller waiting areas.

### Visiting Restrictions

Strict visiting restrictions are in place. Please see our website for the latest on visiting restrictions.

### Attending Appointments

We ask that patients attend appointments alone where possible. If you require a companion, a maximum of one person will be permitted to accompany you. Ideally, this person should be one who has been fully vaccinated against Covid-19.

### Staff PPE and Training

PPE will be worn in accordance with HSE guidelines. Each member of staff has undergone rigorous training in relation to Covid-19 health and safety guidelines.

### Safety Signage

Throughout the hospital we have signage to remind patients and staff to practice hand hygiene, adhere to social distancing and other safety measures. We ask that patients act in accordance with these measures.

### Patient Rooms

Patient rooms are thoroughly cleaned and sanitised with special attention paid after one patient leaves before a new patient is admitted.

### Patients Suffering Covid-19 Symptoms

Any patient due to attend Beacon Hospital or Clinics who becomes Covid symptomatic or is exposed to the virus should not attend the hospital. Instead, please phone the hospital to reschedule your appointment.

### International Travel

If you have traveled overseas in the last two weeks, please comply with national guidelines in relation to quarantine and PCR tests.

### All Departments are Open - Don't Put Your Health on Hold

If you require medical or surgical treatment, do not put it off. All of our departments are open and enhanced safety measures have been put in place.

The health and safety of patients and staff is the highest priority of Beacon Hospital. We will continue to deliver exceptional care to all of our patients while KEEPING YOU SAFE.

