

RD&E Maternity: Covid-19 Update

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A Summary of Changes

Thank you so much for your support and understanding in the past few months with the restrictions and requirements that have had to be in place due to Covid-19.

We are all looking forward to a time when things can get back to normal but our focus always has to be on keeping everyone safe. Below is a short summary of the current restrictions.

These are regularly reviewed and updates will always be posted on here.



Please attend all antenatal appointments alone and wear a face covering (unless you have a specific exception).

One person may accompany you to your First Trimester scan but not to the other parts of that appointment.

Exceptions can be made for partners to attend other scans if they missed the first trimester scan.

This must be discussed with the member of staff who phones you before your appointment.



If you are attending Triage for assessment or coming in for induction of labour, please attend alone.



We are continuing to undertake Covid-19 testing for all inpatients. If you, or anyone in your household, have any symptoms of Covid-19 and you are due to attend the maternity unit, please let us know **before** you come in. Partners should not attend if they have any symptoms.

When you are being cared for on the Birth Centre, Labour Ward or in Theatre, one birth partner can be with you. This is usually when you are in established labour, having a Caesarean or in the immediate postnatal period.

If you are an inpatient on the ante/postnatal ward, you may have one visitor for one hour between 4pm and 7pm.

Visitors must book a time slot by calling 01392 406688 between 10 am and Midday.

Visitors must wear face coverings unless they have a specific exception. Good hand hygiene is vital.



If you have any questions regarding your specific care, then please discuss these with your midwife as she will be able to advise you based on your full history.

