



Ocean Beach Hospital & Medical Clinics are working diligently to prepare for the potential spread of COVID-19 in our community.

- **Emergency plan.** Our COVID-19 Team has created an emergency plan on how to respond to the coronavirus here in our community. The plan is continually assessed and adapted to meet the needs of our community and employees.
- **Collaboration.** We are working closely with our local, regional, and state partners around the clock to ensure the most up-to-date information. Dr. Kathy Lofy (WA State Health Officer) and John Wiesman, DrPH (WA Secretary of Health) are supporting the creation of a regional response to patient needs that go beyond what OBHMC can provide (e.g. Ventilator/ICU beds). OBHMC is in contact with larger/regional hospitals as may be required.
- **Special treatment areas.** We have created a "split-flow" process of providing emergency medical care to our patients. This means that a patient who screens positive for symptoms of COVID-19 upon entering is immediately separated from others. We then attend to the needs of that patient in a dedicated area away from other patient populations.
- **Supply plans.** Currently, we have the necessary staffing, supplies, and equipment to keep all our patients, visitors and health care staff safe. In the event of a shortage, we have plans in place to allocate our resources throughout our system according to need. We are also studying the availability of our supplies and potential substitutes and alternative sources.
- **We have updated our visitor guidelines.** To keep our patients, visitors and team members healthy, we have activated new patient visitation guidelines. We most recently updated these guidelines on March 21st and will continue to update as the situation warrants. Please check these guidelines before you visit. The guidelines will also be posted in our facilities.
- **We are following current guidelines on 'testing'.** OBHMC is currently testing individuals who fall into the 'high-risk' categories. These include those needing to be admitted to the hospital and those at the highest risk of spreading the virus to others.
- **Tele-video clinic visits are available.** Please call your OBHMC provider at 360-642-3747.

Thank you! We would like to thank our community for helping keep each other safe, and for those who have reached out to see if there is anything they can do to help. At this time, the most important thing you can do is stay home and stay healthy.

Please refer to our website for up to date COVID-19 specific information:

[oceanbeachhospital.com](https://www.oceanbeachhospital.com)

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