

It's time to schedule medical appointments

Did you know that most medical offices have returned to normal operations? If you have been delaying medical care, now is the time to schedule your appointments. This includes routine visits, specialist visits, elective procedures, dental visits, and everything else. Medical appointments are a necessary reason to leave your home.

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OPEN!**

Doctors are taking precautions to keep you safe

It's okay to feel uncertain during this difficult time. Staying home as much as possible has kept you safe. But, **attending other medical appointments in addition to your dialysis treatments will help you stay healthy and out of the hospital.** Many physicians are taking additional precautions to keep you safe. They may do some of the following:



- Limit the number of people allowed in the waiting room
- Require masks to be worn by all patients in the lobby
- Thoroughly disinfect all common area surfaces
- Thoroughly disinfect the exam room between patients

How to stay safe during your visit

Like in the dialysis clinic, you should feel safe visiting a physician's office. However, we do still recommend taking your own precautions. Here's how to get care safely.

- **Call ahead** to understand any new protocols your provider has put in place for your safety
- Wear a cloth or medical mask while in public
- Stay at least 6 ft from others
- Wash your hands when you get home



If you are having difficulties in scheduling vascular access care or have any other questions, please work with your care team for assistance.