R.S. McLaughlin Durham Regional Cancer Centre

Managing Your Care and Treatment During the Pandemic

We need to protect your healthcare team from the spread of COVID-19. This allows the healthcare team to safely provide your cancer care and treatment.

What does this mean for you?

- <u>Call your primary nurse before you leave home</u> to come to any appointment in the cancer centre if:
 - You have COVID-19
 - You feel unwell or have any symptom of COVID-19
 - You have been in close contact with someone who has COVID-19
 - You live with a person who has a symptom of COVID-19
- Wear your mask at all times. Your mask must completely cover your nose and mouth.
- You may bring one (1) family member/partner-in-care with you to appointments <u>if</u> you need their support. Your family member/partner-in-care needs to:
 - Pass COVID-19 screening at the entrance of the hospital.
 - Wear a mask that completely covers their nose and mouth at all times. Removal of this mask to eat and drink can only happen in the hospital food court.
 - Use hand sanitizer/wash their hands often.

We may need to restrict the number of family members/partners-in-care in some areas of the cancer centre where space is limited. We need to make sure we can safely provide care and treatment to all patients.

- We will plan some of your appointments as a telephone or video appointment.
- We may need to reschedule some of your appointments.
- We may ask you to have bloodwork at a community lab instead of in the cancer centre. We will give you a handout about this if it applies to you.

Talk to a member of your healthcare team if you have questions or concerns about any information in this handout.

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