

Dear Patient,

## **Masks and/or face covering REQUIRED for all visits!**

At NC Nephrology, we strive to provide you with the safest environment possible. In keeping with the CDC recommendations and community requirements, NC Nephrology requires that all patients and essential family members wear a mask/face covering to all visits, covering both your mouth and nose. We are also limiting visitors. Only essential family members should accompany patients to their visit. No children are allowed. All non-essential family members, visitors, and children should remain in the car. This helps us to create social distancing throughout our office.

While in-person appointments are available, Telehealth is also offered for many providers– this requires connecting through a smart phone, laptop or tablet device with a camera and internet. Please call us if you are interested in this type of appointment.

Extra precautions are being taken to ensure the safety of all of our patients and staff. Do **NOT** come to the office and instead reschedule your appointment if you experience any of the following:

- **Any fever in the last 14 days.**
- **Any respiratory or flu-like symptoms such as cough or difficulty breathing in the last 14 days.**
- **If you or any household member have contact with a known COVID-19 patient in the last 14 days.**
- **If you or any household member have tested positive for COVID-19 in the last 14 days OR have pending test results.**
- **If you or any household member have travelled internationally or to an area of suspected community spread in the last 14 days.**

We appreciate your support of these guidelines to keep you, your fellow patients, our staff and physicians safe.

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