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## Baptist Health Care COVID-19 Update #1

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- Baptist Health Care continues to see patients as scheduled.
- Baptist Health Care has no presumptive positive or confirmed cases of COVID-19 in any of our facilities at this time.
- We continue to follow all CDC protocols, including implementation of screening protocols and measures to provide for the greatest access while ensuring the safety of our patients, visitors and team members. Physical isolation areas have been set up in the ERs at all three BHC hospitals (Baptist, Gulf Breeze and Jay) for those who meet CDC criteria for possible COVID-19. The modifications and air handling are constantly monitored to ensure that they meet regulatory requirements.
- As always, we ask that visitors who are not feeling well consider other ways of connecting with loved ones who are hospitalized, such as through FaceTime.
- We are continually updating our website and encourage the public to visit [eBaptistHealthCare.org](http://eBaptistHealthCare.org) for information and updates. A list of FAQs was posted over the weekend.

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#### *About Baptist Health Care*

*Baptist Health Care is a community-owned, not-for-profit health care organization based in northwest Florida that is committed to helping people throughout life's journey. The organization is a proud member of the Mayo Clinic Care Network. A 2003 Malcolm Baldrige recipient, Baptist continuously strives to be a national leader in quality and service. Baptist Health Care includes three hospitals, four medical parks, Andrews Institute for Orthopaedic & Sports Medicine, Lakeview Center and a large network of primary care and specialty physicians. With more than 7,300 employees and employed physicians, Baptist Health Care is the second largest non-governmental employer in northwest Florida.*

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