Why am I being asked to remain in my child's room?

The health and safety of our patients, families and staff is of utmost importance to us. Due to your child's respiratory symptoms, we are testing your child for the virus responsible for causing COVID-19. The test results may take 24-48 hours.

While we wait for the result of this test, we ask that you and your child remain in your room. Persons who live with and may care for persons with COVID-19 without wearing a mask may be at higher risk for becoming ill with COVID-19. This is an important measure to help assure that we prevent the transmission of this virus in the event that your child's test is positive. We ask that you remain in the room at all times. During this time that you must remain in the room, we will arrange that you are provided your meal, free of any charge. If you must leave to return home, we will provide a mask for you to wear to safely leave the hospital and return to your car. Once you leave, we ask that you not return to your child's room until we receive a test result. Further guidance will be provided based on test result.

If you begin to not feel well and experience a fever with or without symptoms of a respiratory illness (such as a cough, difficulty breathing, sore throat and/or a runny nose), we ask that you notify your child's caregiver immediately.

Please continue taking personal precautions to stay safe and contain the spread of this virus. Clean your hands using soap and water or by using the alcohol-based hand rub available in your child's room, maintain a 3-6 foot distance from others, and most importantly, stay home if you or a member of your household feels sick.

Thank you for your understanding and helping us keep our patients, families and staff safe.