

VUMC Social Distancing Guidance

In order to minimize the risk of spread of COVID-19 to our patients and each other, practices to distance from one another are essential.

Waiting Rooms:

- Space seating so that unrelated groups are at least 6 feet apart
- Mark seating to allow such spacing
- Monitor to ensure distancing

Break Rooms:

- Avoid crowding of break rooms, keeping personnel at least 6 feet apart whenever possible
- Stagger break times to allow fewer people in break room

Cafeteria/VUH Plaza:

- Avoid crowding, keeping at least 6 feet apart whenever possible
- Mark seating to allow such spacing
- Monitor to ensure distancing

Elevators:

- Utilize stairs when possible
- Limit the number of persons on individual elevators to 4 if possible
- Monitor to ensure compliance

Clinical Rounds:

- Limit team rounds to only essential personnel, restricting to 10 people or less
- Especially limit personnel entering rooms of patients on isolation
- Space out group teaching so that persons are at least 6 feet apart

Conferences/Meetings:

- Utilize virtual tools for meetings and educational conferences (e.g. Grand Rounds)
- If in-person meetings are essential, limit to 10 people or less and keep participants at least 6 feet apart whenever possible