

Monitoring during COVID-19

The following points are in addition to usual monitoring requirements and apply to on-site monitoring during the COVID-19 pandemic.

- All monitors will be sent a pre-screening checklist by the study coordinator that needs to be completed and sent back to the coordinator prior to the planned monitoring date.
- All monitors will need to comply with the entry point screening station requirements prior to entry to Alfred Health.
- If monitors have any respiratory symptoms of a cough or cold or present with an elevated temperature, the monitor will be instructed to go for COVID19 testing and self-isolate. They will not be granted access to Alfred Health buildings.
- If monitors exhibit any symptoms of a cough or cold, the site has the right to ask the monitor to remove themselves from the monitoring office and present for COVID19 screening.
- Principal Investigators will not meet with monitors in person, but a telephone call or teleconference is acceptable. Please ensure that this is booked with the investigator prior to the planned monitoring date.
- Only one monitor per trial will be permitted on site for one day to ensure equitable access to site.
- Hand sanitizer will be provided in the monitor's room for use by the monitors. Monitors should be advised to use sanitiser on arrival and on an ad hoc basis throughout their stay.
- Monitors are required to clean the work area and computer with the provided alcohol wipes at the start of their visit and prior to leaving. All shared equipment including keyboard, mouse, phone, desk etc should be thoroughly and carefully cleaned.
- Social distancing is to be strictly adhered to at all times.