



Keeping in mind the consequences of infection and your limited protective equipment, decide who will be Brad’s primary caregiver. Have his caregiver put on one of the surgical masks, and glasses if they have them. If Brad has a face covering, ask him to put it on. If Brad does not have a mask, and with only two surgical masks, give the second mask to Brad. Even if they have a surgical mask on, the remaining provider should remain at least six feet from Brad.

Discovering that Brad has not been following the physical distancing guidelines increases the likelihood that he may be infectious. While this may not change your initial treatment—splinting Brad’s leg—it may change how you decide to evacuate him. For instance, if only the primary caregiver has a mask, you may decide that they should carry Brad to the parking area. Another option that also eliminates exposing your friend to contact droplets is to leave the primary caregiver with Brad while your friend goes for help.

Remember to follow-up with Brad over the next few weeks. If you learn that Brad developed signs or symptoms of a COVID-19 infection, especially if he later tested positive, report the contact to your primary care physician and follow their guidelines.