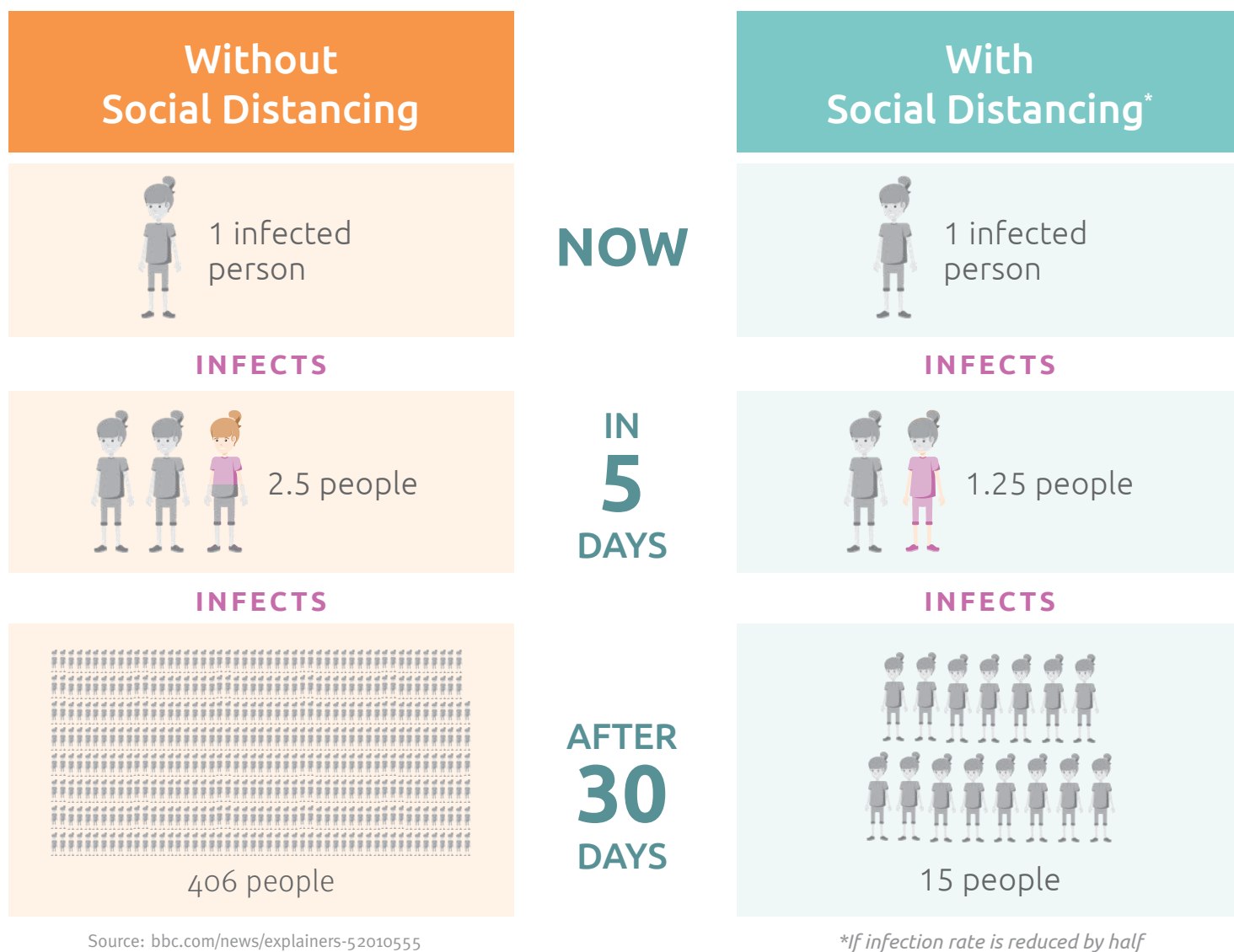


COVID-19: What's different in the hospital?



How should I be social distancing in the hospital?

When you are social distancing at home, you won't be going to school, activities, or playing with friends to decrease the spread of the virus. In the hospital and clinic, you will also need to keep more space between yourself and others. *Please stay at least 6 feet apart from people that are not directly taking care of you.* Unfortunately, this may prevent you from being able to do the normal activities you do in the hospital. You will also notice your health care providers are staying 6 feet away from each other. Six feet is similar to the width of a car or couch, length of a twin bed, or height of a tall basketball player.



How will the hospital be working to keep me and my care team safe?

If you are in the hospital or visiting during this outbreak, here are some things you may encounter:



- Entering the hospital, you may be screened for illness.



- You may be in a different area of the hospital than where you usually are.



- You may be examined by only one provider instead of multiple. Rounds may be conducted differently.



- Your care team may be talking with each other or with you more via the telephone or a video conference line.



- Your care team may be wearing different masks and gowns. Policies may change daily depending on how many in your area have the virus.



- Visitor policies may be different to decrease exposure.



- Food offerings may be limited. Cafeterias may be closed.