

Hospital Visitation Policy

HOSPITAL VISITATION IS SUSPENDED in all areas except:

- **Neonatal Intensive Care Units:** Two parents/support persons may visit during designated visiting hours.
- **Pediatrics:** one parent/designated person may be with the child at all times.
- **Inpatient Child Psychiatry:** contact unit for time, one parent/guardian per day.
- **Labor & Delivery:** Two support persons, including doula, may be present with the patient in labor. Primary support person encouraged to show proof of full vaccination. Secondary support person must be fully vaccinated with booster.
- **Maternity:** No more than two persons at bedside at any given time. Visitors outside of support persons must comply with hospital visitation guidelines. Visiting times are between 2pm and 6pm.
- **Patients with Intellectual and/or Developmental Disabilities, Cognitive Impairments, Dementia:** one support person may remain through their hospitalization.
- **Outpatients Clinics, Pre-Natal Clinic:**
 - Pediatric patients are to be accompanied by one parent or guardian.
 - Adult patients may have accompaniment of one person.
- **Ambulatory Surgery & Same Day Surgery:**
 - Escort may bring the patient to the front entrance lobby and security will direct the patient where they may wait. Escorts cannot remain with the patient or remain in the hospital.

Areas of SUSPENDED Visitation are:

- ❖ Emergency Department
- ❖ Intensive Care Units
- ❖ Medical Surgical Units
- ❖ Adult Psychiatric Unit

- **Accommodations for special arrangements in any of the areas with suspended visitation can be made in consultation with the physician and nurse manager of the area.**

I. Process:

- On entrance to the hospital, the visitor is to check in at the information desk.
- The visitor will provide photo ID, proof of vaccination and inform the receptionist who they will be visiting.
- A sticker will be issued and is to be affixed to their shirt in full visibility.
- The visitor will receive instructions on hand washing, mask wearing and their temperature will be taken.
- Children/siblings may accompany parents for OB/prenatal appointments and must wear a surgical mask.
- Video/FaceTime visits for COVID positive patients may be arranged by calling patient relations department, 718-818-4340
- Visitors are not permitted to wait in the hospital.
- Visitors are required to return their visitor sticker to the information desk in the main lobby when leaving the building.

II. Key Points:

- At any time, the number of visitors may be restricted.
- All visitors must be fully vaccinated with booster, if eligible, and provide proof.
- All visitors must be screened at the Information Desk in the Main Lobby
- Any visitor showing signs of illness will be asked to leave immediately and not permitted to visit.
- Visitor must wear surgical mask when in the hospital. NO CLOTH MASKS
- Visitors may wear their own KN95 mask.