COVID-19 Visitor Restrictions
Amendment for March 20, 2020

Thank you for your understanding and your assistance to keep everyone safe!

Effective immediately, visitor restrictions will be strengthened to protect our patients and further prevent the spread of COVID-19.

- **Outpatient/Ambulatory/Emergency Department**
  - For a patient coming for an emergency department visit, surgery, procedure or office visit: limit (1) visitor/support person in the building.
    - No visitors under the age of 18.
    - Exceptions:
      - “End of Life” situations
      - Minor patients (<18 years old) may have two (2) visitors, but this is limited to only parents or guardians.
      - Patients who require assistance due to mobility, reorienting/confusion (patient safety), interpretation, court-ordered, or healthcare decision making may have one (1) additional assistance person.
    - No visitors for confirmed or suspected COVID-19 cases (unless above criteria met).

- **Hospitals**
  - For hospitalized patients:
    - **Visitors are no longer allowed**
    - Exceptions:
      - Maternity patients: One (1) support person and one (1) doula may accompany the patient.
      - One (1) person allowed to accompany a patient having major surgery on day of surgery and one day after surgery.
      - “End of life” situations
      - Minor patients (<18 years old) may have two (2) visitors, but this is limited to only parents or guardians.
      - Patients who require assistance due to mobility, reorienting/confusion (Patient Safety), interpretation, court ordered, or healthcare decision making may have one (1) additional assistance person.
    - No visitors for confirmed or suspected COVID-19 cases (unless above criteria met).

- **Visitor Screening**
  - All visitors to hospitals will be screened for symptoms and travel or exposure history.
  - Visitor screening is also being done at selected community ambulatory facilities.
  - Visitors will be asked to leave the facility if they have had symptoms in the past 24 hours or exposures in the last 14 days.
  - If the visitor is a driver for a patient, they will be asked to wait in their car until the patient’s appointment is completed.
  - Visitors must wash their hands, or use hand sanitizer, before and after leaving rooms and hospital buildings.

The above COVID-19 Visitor Restrictions are effective immediately.