

# HOSPITAL VISITOR GUIDELINES

## ***Visitor Guidelines for the Cold and Flu Season.*** *Effective November 6, 2009.*

For your safety and that of our patients, at this time we are asking for the following:

### **GENERAL VISITATION**

- **Please do not visit if you have cold or flu symptoms.**
- Only adults (age 18 and older) will be allowed to visit.
- We are limiting visitors to no more than two at a time in all areas of the hospital, including the Emergency Care Center.
- If you are pregnant, for the safety of you and your baby, we urge you to not visit patients in the hospital.

**In addition to the above guidelines, extra steps are being taken in these high-risk areas.**

### **INTENSIVE CARE UNIT and INPATIENT ONCOLOGY**

- Visitors to these areas will be limited to immediate family (spouse, parent, child) or the person who provides care for the patient.

### **NEONATAL INTENSIVE CARE UNIT**

- Visitors to the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) will be limited to the mother and up to five other consistent support people throughout the baby's stay. Siblings of the baby cannot visit at this time.

**Exceptions may be made for cases involving critically ill patients or end-of-life situations.**  
**Please contact the nursing staff.**

*Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.*



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