

# COVID-19 Visitor Restrictions

## Effective April 10, 2021

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

### **Visitors for Outpatient, Ambulatory, Emergency Department, and Hospitalized Patients**

- Current patients and patients coming for an emergency department visit, hospitalization, or outpatient procedure, will be permitted two (2) visitors/support persons in the building at a time, given adequate social distancing can be met and personal protective equipment supply remains stable.
- The allowance of support persons for patients' office visits may vary by provider.
- No visitation will be allowed by anyone under the age of 18 unless they are the parent or legal guardian of a pediatric patient.
- Exceptions:
  - End-of-life or life-threatening situations will be permitted. Those will be made on a case-by-case compassionate basis.
  - Hospitalized patients may have up to five visitors per day, not to exceed two visitors at any one time. This will be at the discretion of the care team.
  - Visitation for confirmed or suspected Covid-19 cases (unless above criteria met) will be addressed based on clinical care guidance and available protective equipment to ensure visitation can occur safely.

### **Visitor Screening**

- All patients and visitors will be screened for symptoms or exposure history.
- All visitors entering the hospital are required to wear a mask and a hospital-supplied wristband. Hospital-supplied masks will be provided to patients not wearing one of their own. These masks should not be procedural masks or respirators. This applies to Wayne HealthCare facilities which include Outpatient Rehabilitation, Wayne HealthCare Medical Office Building, Union City Medical Center and Versailles Medical Office Building.
- All visitors are required to wear a mask in ALL areas of the hospital and Wayne HealthCare facilities at ALL times, regardless of their vaccination status.
- Masks or facial coverings must fully cover both the nose and mouth.
- Patient and visitor screenings are also being done at other Wayne HealthCare 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 and space is not available in the patient room or waiting room, the visitor may 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.
- Visitors who refuse to wear a mask may be asked to leave the facility.
- Exceptions may be made on an individual basis for those individuals who are unable to wear a mask due to health or disability issues.

**Visitor restrictions will be rescinded when the state of emergency declaration is lifted for the State of Ohio.**