

## **COVID-19 Visitor Restrictions Effective November 20, 2020**

Amended November 18, 2020

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

- No Visitors (emergency, inpatient, surgery/procedure/infusions/injections, outpatient testing, or an office visit) will be permitted. Exceptions to the policy include the following:
  - Patients facing end-of-life or life-threatening situations will be permitted visitors on a case-by-case compassionate basis.
  - Maternity patients will be permitted (1) visitor. Minor maternity patients (under 18 years of age), will be permitted two (2) visitors, such as a significant other and a parent or guardian (unless they are an emancipated minor).
  - Minor patients (under 18 years of age) in the emergency department/inpatient setting will be permitted (2) visitors (e.g. 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) assistance person.
  - Patients scheduled for a procedure requiring anesthesia will be permitted one (1) visitor on the **day of** the surgery/procedure.
- No visitation is permitted for confirmed or suspected COVID-19 cases (unless above criteria are met).
- No visitation will be allowed by anyone under the age of 18 unless they are the parent or legal guardian of a pediatric patient.

### **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 armband. Hospital-supplied masks will be provided to patients not wearing one of their own. 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.
- 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.
- If a visitor refuses to wear a mask, visitors 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.**