

Beaumont

COVID-19 Visitation Restrictions- Inpatient

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To protect our patients, families, employees, and the community during the outbreak of COVID-19, we have put measures into place that restrict visiting of family, friends and community until the transmission of COVID-19 is no longer a threat. To minimize the number of people coming to Beaumont, please do not send flowers, food or other items that must be delivered.

COVID Positive and Persons Under Investigation (PUI) Patients:

With the exception of end-of-life or other extreme circumstances as approved by clinical leadership (e.g., birth partner, parent of an inpatient pediatric patient, etc.), no one will be allowed in rooms of patients with pending or positive COVID-19 tests.

- End-of-life allows for up to TWO people at the bedside to say good-bye.
- Laboring patients will be allowed ONE birth partner.
- Pediatric patients will be allowed ONE parent/legal guardian.

Exceptions only apply for those who screen negative for symptoms of respiratory infection, and you must wear Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) at all times and must not leave the patient room. Staff should help you to properly put on and remove PPE.

Other Patients:

Visitation is restricted at all Beaumont sites until further notice with the following exceptions where one person will be permitted unless otherwise indicated.

- Person who is in serious or critical condition or in hospice care.
- Person at end-of-life. (Two people are permitted at the bedside to say goodbye.)
- Mother in labor. (A doula is permitted in addition to a significant other/support person.)
- Children who are 21 years of age or under. (Two parents total are permitted.)
- (For both inpatient admissions and outpatient tests/procedures) Adult patients with cognitive, physical, or mental disability requiring help with the provision of medical care or activities of daily living, speaking for the patient, and keeping patient safe.
- Person undergoing surgery.
- People who **must exercise** power of attorney or court-appointed guardianship for a patient.

The person visiting should be the same person for the patient's entire admission, unless approved by a clinical leader. Exceptions only apply for those who screen negative for symptoms of respiratory infection. Any visitation request that differs from these guidelines will be reviewed by clinical leadership or the administrator on call.

Expectations of family/friend approved to visit:

- Everyone must be screened for symptoms of respiratory illness (fever, cough and shortness of breath) before entering an acute care (hospital) campus. Those who pass the health screening, will be given sticker letting everyone know that they passed. They must wear the sticker at all times. People with symptoms of respiratory illness will not be allowed to visit.
- You must remain in the patient's room at all times, except for quick trips to the bathroom or to purchase food. You are welcome to order a guest meal tray from Room Service which will be delivered to the patient room. A guest charge will be added to the final patient bill.
- Limit the number of personal items that you bring to the hospital to one clean bag.

- When you leave the hospital, do not wander through hallways or spend time in public areas, including lobbies, waiting areas, cafeterias, and vending areas when they leave.
- Clean your hands when you enter and exit the hospital and patient room, and before and after eating or using the rest room.
- No children (<16 years) are able to visit Beaumont during COVID-19 visitation restrictions except for end-of-life and other extreme situations where their presence has been approved. This includes patient rooms and waiting areas. Any non-patient child that comes to Beaumont will be asked to leave with the adult who brought them.
- Help prevent the spread of infection by:
 - Stay home when you are sick (fever, cough, upper respiratory infection symptoms).
 - Wash your hands often with soap and water or an alcohol-based hand sanitizer, especially before eating, after coughing or sneezing, and after using the bathroom.
 - Cover your mouth and nose when you cough or sneeze. The best way to cover your mouth and nose is to cough or sneeze into the elbow of your arm. Throw tissues away immediately and wash your hands.
 - Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
 - Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.
 - Clean frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe.

Staying Connected:

Ask your loved one's nurse to help arrange opportunities to connect with your loved one through the hospital phone, personal phones, laptops, and tablets. Beaumont has iPads and Samsung tablets available for use by your loved one.