



## COVID-19 Hospital & Clinic Visitor Policy

### General COVID-19 Visitor Precautions:

1. Funnel and limit hospital entrance access (including vendors)
2. Screen all visitors upon entry. Interview of anyone requesting entry. Ask for symptoms of fever, coughing, sneezing, sore throat, or trouble breathing.

***If any of these conditions are present, the individual will not be allowed to enter the hospital as a visitor.***

3. All visitors sign-in and wear a visitor badge.
4. Visitors must wear a facemask or face covering at all times (this includes inside patient rooms). Educate visitors to perform frequent hand hygiene and restrict their visit to the patient's room or other areas designated by the facility.
5. Managers/physicians/house supervisor have the discretion to limit the duration of visitation based on clinical considerations.
6. Age: No **visitors** under 18 years of age. **Exceptions for end-of-life care & no other guardian present.**

***Exceptions may be granted only by the Chief Nursing Officer, or their designee.***

### Visitation as Follows:

1. ALL patients on Medical Surgical Unit (MSU) and Patients who are under the age of 18:
  - Patients may have 1 visitor at a time in their room as long as conditions are met for entry as listed above.
  - Patients who require a home caregiver to be trained may have one visitor in addition to the caregiver.
2. Obstetric Patients:
  - Laboring mothers may have the other parent and one birth support person accompany them. The birth support person will go home after delivery is completed and mom/baby are stabilized.
3. Patients on End-of-Life Care (ED or Med Surg):
  - Clergy or faith-based practitioners do not count as a visitor.
  - Up to 2 visitors at the bedside at one time (not counting clergy)
4. Lake Chelan Clinic/Outpatient Visits/Emergency Department:
  - No visitors unless medically necessary to the care of the patient (pediatric, altered mental status, ambulatory issues)

***No visitors will be allowed in rooms of Persons Under Investigation (PUIs) who is over the age of 18 years-old or COVID-19 positive patients (unless at end of life)***