

Visitor Guidelines

This time of year, we typically see an increase of colleagues and loved ones out ill. Many have symptoms of a cold or flu, which are respiratory illnesses that are commonly treated in the winter. Often, it can be hard to tell which may affect you. Per the CDC, influenza tends to be more worrisome than a cold – it is usually much more severe.



To help stop the spread of germs:

- Do not allow visitation by persons less than 18 years of age
- Limit number of visitors to two per patient at any one time
- Promote compliance with Hand Hygiene and Respiratory Hygiene/Cough Etiquette
- Assess visitors for symptoms of acute respiratory illness (fever, cough, sore throat)
- Request that visitors with acute respiratory illness symptoms not visit, but if they insist, require a mask be worn
- Limit visits to patients in isolation for influenza to persons who are necessary for the patient's emotional well-being and care