

OUR LADY OF PEACE HOME

Visiting Policy - (Please read carefully)

PATIENT CARE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

POLICY: VISITORS

DATE: October 11, 2022.

POLICY STATEMENT:

Our Lady of Peace Home (OLPH) recognizes the need to mitigate the risk to patients, staff and visitors from contracting the Coronavirus in the facility. We work in conjunction with guidance during the pandemic from the Centers for Disease Control and the Minnesota Department of health.

Up to three visitors of any age may be in the building at one time for each patient. Visitors older than 2 years of age must be able to comply with masking requirement. If a visitor leaves and comes back from 8:00 a.m. – 7:30 p.m., they must sign back in and follow the 3-visitor rule.

Visiting after 7:30 p.m. allows for three visitors at a time and those visiting in the evening and overnight will be designated upon admission. After 7:30 p.m. visitors may not come and go. The building is alarmed in the evening and overnight hours. We ask if you are going to be here after 7:30 p.m. that you check in with the nurse on the floor.

We REQUIRE that all visitors practice social distancing, masking and hand hygiene while in the community to continue to keep patients, staff and others at Our Lady of Peace safe and healthy. These requirements cover all areas of the building. This is in accordance with the Centers for Disease Control and the Minnesota Department of Health for healthcare facilities. We ask that all visitors respect these guidelines and understand that staff will remind visitors if unmasked to use their mask.

This policy is subject to change as circumstances warrant.

PROCEDURES:

- Upon admission, patient and/or responsible party will be given this policy.
- Visitors must come to the front entrance of Our Lady of Peace Home, use the intercom outside the door to announce their arrival and say who they are here to visit. At no time can entrance door be propped open.
- Visitors may bring items into the building with the exception of lilies. Pets are allowed as long as owner has control at all times. If it is a shared room the roommate must be ok with the pet visitor.
- Staff will instruct visitors to use provided hand sanitizer, don a clean mask and socially distance from others who may be waiting to check in.
- Visitors will be instructed to omit visiting if they are experiencing any of the symptoms listed on the MDH signage. Visitors will also receive a visitor badge that must be worn throughout their stay.
- Upon leaving OLP, visitors should sign out on the screening log and leave their visitor badge with the receptionist.
- Visitors may use the lounges and the chapel however must remain masked.
- For outdoor visiting if medically appropriate, due to the immunocompromised status of OLP patients, we ask that both patients and visitors remain masked and socially distanced regardless of vaccination status while visiting outdoors. Masks are required at all times in the building for visitors. Masks are required for patients when outside of their rooms.
- We ask that visitors use the public bathrooms located on the patient floor they are visiting. Hand hygiene and social distancing is required.
- Any violation of this policy visitor will be asked leave the premises immediately.