Visitor Information Regarding COVID-19

A State of Emergency has been declared in Kern County. To ensure the safety of our visitors, patients, employees, we are restricting visitation at our hospital.

All visitors will be monitored in accordance with this policy and will actively reinforce limitations. Due to the recent shelter-in-place announcement by Governor Newsom, we are implementing the following restrictions.

CDC recommends wearing cloth face coverings in public settings where other social distancing measures are difficult to maintain (e.g., grocery stores and pharmacies).

Visitor Policy:

• At this time, visitors are not allowed in the hospital except for the criteria below.
• Only one visitor, per patient, per day will be allowed in the following areas:
  o Pediatrics
  o Labor and Delivery
  o End-of-life
  o OR patients (one visitor is invited to stay in the surgical waiting area until after notification/visit allowed in the recovery room).
  o Patients with physical, intellectual, and/or developmental disabilities and cognitive impairments.
• Two visitors, per patient, per day will be allowed in the following areas:
  o NICU
• All visitors must be 18 years of age or older and in good health.
• Visitors will not be permitted re-entry within the same day once they leave the hospital.
• Due to the complexities that occur in the hospital setting, exceptions will be handled on a case-by-case basis.