



Visitor guidance - updated 17.03.2020

We are asking the public to limit visiting and to consider other ways of keeping in touch, like phone calls.

Visitors must be immediate family members or carers and no children under 12 are allowed.

Visitors should not visit the hospital including all inpatient, diagnostic and outpatient areas, if they are:

- unwell, especially if they have a high temperature or a new, persistent cough
- vulnerable as a result of their medication, a chronic illness or they are over 70 years of age.

Visitors should be limited to one per patient unless:

- the patient is receiving end-of-life care
- the visitor needs to be accompanied – accompanying visitors should not stay in patient, ward or communal areas, and this applies to inpatient and outpatient settings
- they are a partner and birthing partner accompanying a woman in labour.

No children under 12 should be visiting with the exception of visiting end of life patients. These visiting arrangements will need to be made with the ward sister or charge nurse's prior permission.

Hospitals and other health and care settings will restrict visiting to one hour per day at designated visiting times.

We ask for the public's help in respecting these rules.

Thanks

