

Chinese Hospital believes that patients have the right to receive visitors and to designate a support person while receiving care in the hospital. Chinese Hospital does not restrict, limit or otherwise deny visitation privileges on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or disability. Chinese Hospital is committed to the safety of our patients, staff, and physicians.

**Our masking policy.** In general, visiting hours at Chinese Hospital are based on the patient's personal preferences and the safety of the patients. **Exception**:

- Directly before and after a surgical procedure, immediate family may visit patients when they are returned to their room. Visitors are not allowed in surgery or in the Post Anesthesia Care Unit.
- Visitors may have limited access within the facility during a declared public health emergency, such as COVID-19.
- Chinese hospital staff may facilitate telephone or video conference communication between hospitalized patients and patients' family or friends.
- Visitors may be requested to leave when patient or staff requests privacy during treatment or care or when the treatment poses a risk of infectious exposure to the visitor.
- The nursing supervisor must give permission for any visitors to remain overnight with the patient. Permission will be granted based on the needs of the patient.
  - Post Anesthesia Recovery Unit: No visitors at any time.
  - ∘ Same Day Surgery: One visitor based on the needs of the patient.
  - Emergency Department: One visitor at a time or at the discretion of the healthcare team.
- Patient with decision-making capacity Patients may designate visitor of their choosing whether the visitor is related by blood or marriage, unless:
  - No visitors are allowed per patient request.
  - The facility reasonably determines that the presence of a particular visitor would endanger the health or safety of a patient, a member of the health facility staff, or other visitor to the health facility, or would significantly disrupt the operations of the hospital.
  - The patient has indicated to the hospital staff that the patient no longer wants this person to visit.
- Patients lacking decision-making capacity Immediate family or person living in the household may visit with the patient according to the visitation guidelines in place.

## **REFERENCES:**

State Public Health Officer Order: Amending the Order of August 26, 2021
Requirements for Visitors to Healthcare Settings Flyer
Requirements for Visitors in Acute Health Care and Long-Term Care Settings Q&A
CDPH All Facilities Letter 20-22
CDPH All Facilities Letter 21-14
CDPH February 07,2022 letter from Director and state Public Health Officer
CDPH September 15, 2022 letter from State Public health Officer and Director