

Restricted Visiting Policy:

- Excludes Fulton Manor

As Vaccination rates increase and COVID-19 case counts continue to decrease in Ohio, FCHC continues to follow CDC and State guidelines for Health Care facilities. The state of Ohio is no longer utilizing the color coded Ohio Public Health Advisory System which is how FCHC determined visit restrictions since November 2020. Therefore, **FCHC is now updating visitation guidelines to allowing two (2) Designated Visitors for our patients.**

See below for specific Visitation Guidelines.

General Guidelines:

- To reduce facility-based transmission, **limited visitation** will be allowed in rooms of Persons Under Investigation (PUI's) or **COVID-19 positive patients**.
- All people entering FCHC must wear a face covering.
- Children under the age of 16 are not allowed as companion/visitor at this time.
- All people entering FCHC facilities will be screened with temperature and current wellness questions.
- The cafeteria is open to those requiring services at FCHC and companions of hospitalized patients. The cafeteria is not open to the general public.
- The Gift Shop is open under limited hours.

FCHC Services:

- In-patient visiting hours are 8:00am to 6:30pm daily.
- **Two (2) designated visitors are allowed throughout the patients stay**
- Surgery/Procedures:
 - Two designated visitors/companion
 - Remain in designated areas and follow staff instructions
- Obstetrics:
 - One partner and one additional person accompany them.
 - No children under the age of 16
 - Nursery – Birth Parent plus one significant other
- Emergency Department:
 - One visitor/companion with patient
 - ER waiting room is open while maintaining social distancing.
- Out-Patient services:
 - Two companions may accompany patient to appointment
- Behavioral Health:
 - Patients are limited to two designated visitors.
 - Patients may only have on visitor at a time
 - Visitors must be approved by the Social Services department
 - Each patient or their designee complete a visitor approval form which identifies the visitor's name, relationship, and contact information.

- Limited visitation policy includes FCHC Employees that have family members who are in the hospital.
- Patients who are at the end-of-life may have limited visitors, discuss with nursing staff

Patient / Visitor Information

- Facemask must be worn in FCHC facilities.
- Wash or sanitize hands often and must be done before leaving patient rooms
- Limit touching multiple surfaces in the patient room.
- For those that cannot visit a loved one, ipad technology is available for communication, ask your primary nurse or nursing supervisor if assistance is needed.

EXCEPTIONS TO THESE GUIDELINES

A patient's care team may make recommendations for exceptions to the FCHC visitation guidelines for circumstances where the guidelines have an impact on the quality of patient care. When appropriate, these circumstances would be approved through the Chief Nursing Officer. Families should discuss concerns with a member of the patient's care team or House Supervisor.