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BRH Emergency Department Visitor Directive

Purpose: To keep Bartlett Regional Hospital's Emergency Department environment as safe as possible for patients and staff. This change is required to assure our ability to serve the community in need of health care through these challenging times.

Directive: Effective Monday, June 1st at 6:00 AM, Bartlett Regional Hospital's Emergency Department will be altering its visitor policy. To provide safe, effective, and quality care visitation will be allowed in a limited fashion.

Each non isolation patient, the patient will be allowed to designate one visitor which will be the designated visitor. This visitor would be expected to be a spouse or caregiver that resides with the patient in their home. Any exception of this would require House Supervisor or Administrator on call approval.

It will be the expectation of Bartlett Regional Hospital's Emergency Department that all visitors remain in the patient room or designated patient treatment area and adhere immediately to any request made by BRH staff. Any visitor leaving the treatment area of the patient they are accompanying may be asked to leave the department if the visitor leaves the space with explicit permission to do so.

It is required all visitors comply with the universal masking policies set forth by both state and local regulations while in hospital. In an effort to preserve the hospitals PPE for patient care, it is the expectation that all visitors come prepared to supply their own mask.

Visitation to patients in isolation will not be permitted, unless the visitor meets the exclusion criteria. There will not be a swapping in and out of support person or approved visitor.

Attempts will continue to be made to supply as much information and to connect patients with their loved ones to the extent possible using communication devices such as cell phones, iPad, etc.

The cafeteria will be open to any approved visitor during normal business hours as long as the visitor is wearing an armband, marking them as a visitor, and social distancing will be required at all times while accessing the Café.

Any patient fitting one of the below criteria may have special considerations placed on visitation.

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Noted Exclusions Are:

1. The legally authorized representative of a protected / high risk patient
2. Impending death unless Covid-19 infection is likely cause of death* (one visitor)
3. Law Enforcement
4. Any other exclusions should be approved by House supervisor and/or Administrator on Call.

*In an effort to protect the family from the risk of contracting Covid- 19, we will be allowing no visitors in the room with Covid patients while dying unless another exception criteria is met.