

Visitation Rights Notice

Loma Linda University Medical Center ("LLUMC") is committed to protecting and promoting each patient's rights. As part of this commitment to your rights, you should be aware of the following:

- 1. You may designate visitors of your choosing, if you have decision-making capacity, whether or not the visitor is related by blood or marriage. This includes but is not limited to, a spouse, a domestic partner (including a same-sex domestic partner), another family member, or a friend, unless:
 - a) No visitors are allowed because of clinical or environmental reasons, which may include:
 - The patient is undergoing care interventions
 - Infection control issues
 - Interference with the care of other patients
 - b) 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 facility.
 - c) You have told the health facility staff that you no longer want a particular person to visit.
- 2. LLUMC staff shall inform you (or your support person, where appropriate) of your visitation rights, including any clinical restrictions or limitations.
- 3. LLUMC may establish reasonable restrictions or limitations on visitation, including restrictions on hours or number of visitors which may include (but are not limited to) the following:
 - a) When the patient is undergoing care interventions;
 - b) When there may be infection control issues;
 - c) When visitation may interfere with the care of other patients;
 - d) Any court order limiting or restraining contact;
 - e) Disruptive behavior which interferes with the functioning of the patient care unit;
 - f) Reasonable limitations on the number of visitors at any one time;
 - g) Patient risk of infection by the visitor;
 - h) Extraordinary precautions due to a pandemic or infectious disease outbreak (e.g., H1N1);
 - i) Substance abuse treatment protocols requiring restricted visitation;
 - j) Patient's need for privacy or rest, and/or the patients request for privacy;
 - k) Patient's need for privacy or rest by another individual in the patient's shared room;
 - 1) Patient's need for privacy as determined by the patient's caregivers.
 - m) To facilitate the clinical operations of the unit where the patient is located.
- 4. LLUMC staff shall not restrict, limit, or otherwise deny visitation privileges on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, or disability.
- 5. LLUMC staff shall consider your wishes, if you lack decision-making capacity, for the purposes of determining who may visit. The method of that consideration will comply with federal law and be disclosed in the hospital policy on visitation. At a minimum, the hospital shall include any persons living in your household and any support person pursuant to federal law.
- 6. You are entitled to exercise these rights without regard to sex, race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, age, disability, medical condition, marital status, sexual orientation, educational background, economic status or the source of payment for care.

This Patient Rights document incorporates the requirements of The Joint Commission, Title 22, California Code of Regulations, Section 70707; Health and Safety Code Sections 1262.6, 1288.4, and 124960; and 42 C.F.R. Section 482.13 (Medicare Conditions of Participation).