



## **TEMPORARY VISITATION POLICY CHANGE**

The health and safety of our patients is a top priority at Midland Health. The COVID-19 coronavirus requires us to temporarily adjust our visitation policy in order to keep our patients safe from infection.

**Beginning Tuesday, March 17, 2020, visitation will be limited in the following manner:**

- The only access is available through the Scharbauer Tower Main Entrance, Emergency Department Entrance and the Craddick Medical Office Building Main Entrance.
- Visiting hours will be from 08:00 am until noon, and from 3:00 pm until 7:00 pm

Essential visitors are defined as:

- Government personnel
- One designated caregiver acting on the patient's behalf, such as a parent of a minor or a legally authorized representative
- Patient family members- no more than one at a time
- Clergy members as authorized by the hospital
- Additional family members of patients at the end of life or presenting at the Emergency Department, subject to hospital policy
- An exception to visitation hours may be made for the caregiver or spouse of a patient

**PERSONS WAITING TO VISIT PATIENTS MAY NOT WAIT INSIDE OF THE FACILITY**

**ONLY ONE ADULT VISITOR (18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER) ACCOMPANYING PATIENTS IN THE EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT**

**IT IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED THAT ANY VISITOR BE LESS THAN 65 YEARS OF AGE**

**EACH VISITOR MUST BE IN GOOD HEALTH & SYMPTOM FREE**

**VOLUNTEER SERVICES ARE SUSPENDED**

**EMPLOYEE GYM IS CLOSED**

**NO PERSON UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE WILL BE PERMITTED AT OUR FACILITIES UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES, UNLESS THEY ARE HERE TO RECEIVE MEDICAL TREATMENT OR HAVE BEEN EMANCIPATED AS AN ADULT.**

These temporary restrictions may be difficult for patients and their loved ones, but Midland Health is taking these necessary steps to protect our patients and staff. Thank you for your understanding and for adhering to these important policies during this challenging time.

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*Visitors may be screened for symptoms with questions listed in the screening process at entrances to the facility. **No one who is currently experiencing illness symptoms (fever, sore throat, cough, or shortness of breath) will be permitted to visit patients.***

- *Do you have a new cough, shortness of breath, sore throat, or fever?*
- *Have you traveled to Europe\*, United Kingdom, Ireland, China, Italy, Iran, or South Korea in the past 14 days?*
- *Have you had close contact with a person known/suspected to have COVID-19?*

\*Europe includes Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Monaco, San Marin, Vatican City