

Deer Lodge Medical Center

Temporary Visitation Restrictions

The well-being of our patients and caregivers is our top priority, especially during this time. With COVID-19 circulating in our communities, Deer Lodge Medical Center is taking steps to ensure the safety of our patients and our facility as we provide care to our patients.

The following visitor restrictions will apply beginning Monday, May 11th. Please follow posted signage and directives from on-site Deer Lodge Medical Center employees.

Inpatient:

To limit the spread of infectious illnesses, in-person visits will not be allowed. We encourage patients and their families to communicate through phone and video chat. Exceptions may be made on a case-by-case basis at the discretion of the Hospitalist, ACNO, or CNO for the following:

- End of Life Care
- Essential visitor

In these cases, visitors will be limited to Power of Attorney, Spouse, Guardian, Parent, Adult Child, or Primary Caregiver.

All visitors will be screened upon entry. If negative they will be required to wear a mask (cloth masks are allowed) and must remain in the patient's room at all times. If positive they will not be allowed as visitor but will be offered to be seen as a patient.

Visitation will be limited to three individual essential visitors. A list of these three essential visitors will be compiled at time of admission and maintained at the Nurses Station. We will only allow one of these three essential visitors per day for a maximum of two hours. (exceptions may be made for end-of-life care).

Emergency Department:

Patients may have one of the following essential visitors at the discretion of the Hospitalist: Power of Attorney, Spouse, Guardian, Parent, Adult Child, or Primary Caregiver.

Outpatient Clinics: (including Physical Therapy, Cardiac Rehab, DL Clinic)

Patients may have one of the following essential visitors at the discretion of the patient care team: Power of Attorney, Spouse, Guardian, Parent, Adult Child, or Primary Caregiver.

***If you think you have been exposed to COVID-19 or are experiencing symptoms including a fever $\geq 100.4^{\circ}$ F, a cough or difficulty breathing we are asking at this time to please refrain from coming directly into the facility for the health and safety of all of our patients and staff but rather, call the clinic at 406-846-1722 and they will direct you.**