



Maternal Child Program Supportive Presence Principles

****No visitors under the age of 16 are permitted on the Maternal Child Unit****

****Care partners must be consistent throughout the duration of the admission – no changes are permitted****

Paediatrics:

2 Care partners at a time (maximum 4 care partners)

Special Care Nursery (SCN):

Care partners in the SCN will be the same as those identified on the Postpartum unit while the birth parent is admitted to the hospital.

After the birth parent is discharged, parents/primary caregivers may identify an additional 2 care partners, in addition to those identified postpartum, that may come to the infant's bedside in the SCN.

(Maximum 6 people per baby, including the parents/caregivers)

Limitations on the number of care partners in the SCN at one time will be based on SCN census:

Number of newborns in SCN	Number of care partners at bedside at one time
1-4	2
5-7	1
8 or more	1



When the census in the SCN is 5-7:

2 care partners may be at the bedside at one time as long as there are no more than 7 care partners in the SCN in total and physical distancing can be maintained

Obstetrical Assessment Unit:

1 consistent care partner is permitted in the assessment unit for all visits

Labour & Delivery (L&D):

Maximum 3 consistent care partners during L&D

For patients undergoing Caesarean Section – 1 care partner for the admission process (for scheduled patients), during surgery and in the recovery room. *Please ask your additional care partners to wait at home until you can let them know you have been moved to Postpartum.

Postpartum/Antepartum:

One consistent care partner permitted 24/7

Additional visitors permitted between the hours of 0800-2000:

- Maximum of 2 additional visitors may be identified: these must be the same care partners that were present for L&D (if applicable)
- If there were less than 3 care partners present for L&D, identified visitors can be added postpartum to the maximum listed above
- Maximum of 2 people at the bedside at one time, can be any 2 of the 3 identified individuals

For all visitors to our program – If you have a need for an exception, please discuss this with your care team