

Dear caregiver,

Southlake Regional Health Centre has made restrictions to visiting to minimize the spread of COVID-19.

For paediatrics inpatients – only one caregiver at a time is permitted. Exceptions may be made for paediatric patients who need daily support of two caregivers (e.g. children with special needs).

It is a requirement to wear a mask when visiting Paediatrics.

All visitors must be screen negative – no fever, respiratory symptoms, and/or contact with another person who may be ill.

Caregivers are not to leave the room while the child is admitted. The caregiver will be provided a food tray for the duration of the child's stay.

Caregivers will be allowed to leave and return to Paediatrics once per day. Alternatively, handing off care between caregivers is allowed once per day. Extended visits between caregivers is not allowed.

When leaving, we require that all caregivers leave the hospital in a timely manner, not stopping to use any food or other services/areas within the hospital. Caregivers should travel **only** from the hospital to home.

Our visiting policy may change based on provincial direction.

We appreciate your cooperation and understanding.

Thank you,

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