



MEDIA ADVISORY

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Brant Community Healthcare System moves to Essential Caregiver/Support Person Only Visitor Policy effective April 29th

Brantford, ON – Local communities across Brantford and Brant County should note that **updated visiting guidelines will take effect on Thursday April 29, 2021 at Brant Community Healthcare System.**

Updated visitor guidelines have been developed to help address the increasing number of COVID-19 cases in the community and variants of concern. Effective Thursday April 29, BCHS will move to an essential caregiver/support person only visitor policy, which means other visitors will not be permitted.

The updated visitor policy is consistent with visitor guidelines in place at neighbouring hospitals located in the greater region of Hamilton, Niagara, Haldimand, Brant and Burlington.

Essential caregivers/support persons are not allowed on any hospital unit with a declared COVID-19 outbreak unless for palliative or end of life situations.

Only essential persons designated by the patient are permitted to visit hospital sites and all visits must be scheduled with the hospital unit at least 24 hours in advance. An essential caregiver/support person must reside in the same household as the patient or be a consistent caregiver.

For detailed information, please visit the [Visiting Guidelines page](#) of our website.

BCHS would like to thank everyone for continuing to follow all public health and safety guidelines. We appreciate your patience and understanding during this difficult time.

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