



For Immediate Release

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Re: COVID-19 Mask Requirements & Visitor Restrictions

Junction City, KS – In response to the widening concerns and increase in positive COVID-19 cases in our area and in an effort to better safeguard the health of our patients, caregivers, their families and the general public, Geary Community Hospital will continue the current visitor restrictions and face mask policy until further notice.

All patients, vendors and staff are to wear a mask at all times while in the hospital. If a patient does not have a mask one will be provided to them.

We will also continue our visitor restrictions that have previously been set forth.

No outside visitors will be permitted with the exception of:

- Labor & Delivery- may bring one adult companion only
- A minor (under 18)- may bring one adult companion only
- End of Life Care- may bring one adult companion only

Geary Community Hospital will continue to implement the below restrictions in addition to the ones above.

- Only the Emergency Room & Medical Arts Building II (MABII) doors will be available.
- There will be a formal check-in and check-out process for everyone utilizing the Emergency Room door, including the use of visitor badges. If a patient or visitor does not have a badge, they will be escorted out of the buildings immediately.
- Loitering, social visits, and public access to the cafeteria will not be allowed during this time.
- Every person must be screened for COVID-19 symptoms upon entering the hospital- no exceptions.
- All vendors and contractors must access through the same point of entrance/exit in the Emergency Room, unless other plans have been approved by authorized GCH personnel.
- Security personnel will be enhanced during this time in order to protect citizens' safety and to assist in enforcing these temporary rules.