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Woodstock Hospital Updates Family Presence Guidelines

To protect the health and well-being of our patients, staff, physicians, and the broader community during COVID-19 pandemic, in conjunction with regional hospitals, Woodstock Hospital has updated its visiting policy. **This policy does not impact patients or those coming to the hospital to access services.**

Effective November 1, 2021, all visitors to Woodstock Hospital will be required to show government issued photo identification and proof of full COVID-19 vaccination (Ontario Ministry of Health Vaccination Receipt or Ontario Enhanced Vaccine Certificate).

Visitors with medical exemption signed by a physician or nurse practitioner will be required to contact the Clinical Director of the nursing unit prior to their visit.

We recognize the importance of family and caregivers for the wellbeing of our patients and therefore necessary visitors (those whose presence is required for safety, enabling care, or on compassionate grounds) who cannot provide proof of vaccination will still be permitted entrance, but will be required to limit their visit to the patient's room only.

Exceptions to this policy will be made on a case by case basis, at the discretion of the clinical care teams.

All staff, physicians, and contracted employees on site at Woodstock Hospital are compliant with the hospital's mandatory COVID-19 vaccination policy that required proof of first COVID-19 vaccination dose by October 20, and proof of second COVID-19 vaccination dose by November 17, 2021.

We appreciate the support of the community at this time as we all do our part to reduce transmission of the COVID-19 virus and delta variant.

For more information, please visit our website at www.wgh.on.ca. Thank you for your cooperation.

About Woodstock Hospital

Built in November 2011, Woodstock Hospital is a 178 bed, full-service community hospital, providing primary care to a population of 55,000 and specialized care to nearly 110,000 within the County of Oxford. The new facility offers a wide range of health programs including Maternal Child, Women's Health, Specialized Surgical Services, Inpatient and Outpatient Mental Health Services, Dialysis and Rehabilitation Programs, a Systemic Therapy Program and an MRI. Our full service facility works closely with our community partners to provide our patients with healthcare services, close to home.

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