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Limiting Entrances at Woodstock Hospital

Effective Monday March 23, 2020, Woodstock Hospital is limiting entrances to assist with the screening process that is currently underway, and in ongoing efforts to limit the spread of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19).

Main Entrance and Emergency Department Entrance

- The hospital's main entrance will be open from 7:00 am 8:00 pm, and the Emergency Department entrance will be open from 8:00 pm − 7:00 am.
- There will be signage in place.

Athlone Avenue Entrance

- The Athlone Avenue entrance will only be used by Dialysis and Chemotherapy patients. These patients will press the intercom and security will let them in.
- Upon entry, patients will apply a face mask and sanitize their hands, and go directly to their appropriate treatment area where they will then be screened by staff.
- A reminder, we have a no visitor policy in place, companions should not be escorting
 patients unless they are required for reasons such as a disability. Exceptions on a case-bycase basis.

Woodstock Hospital staff have been instructed to go through a separate entrance where they will be screened.

We appreciate the public's understanding and patience during our ongoing efforts to limit the transmission of COVID-19. These measures are in place to protect the health and well-being of our patients, staff and the broader community.

For updated information, please visit our website at www.wgh.on.ca.

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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