

PRESS RELEASE

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Visitor Restrictions in Force at Salina Regional Health Center

(February 13, 2017) -- In an effort to protect its patients, visitors and employees during influenza season, Salina Regional Health Center implemented visitor restrictions effective February 13, 2017 until further notice. The following restrictions apply:

- <u>DO NOT</u> visit if you are ill or have any signs and symptoms of influenza (cough, runny nose, fever, sore throat, muscle aches, fatigue).
- <u>Immediate family members only</u>. Infants/small children are discouraged from visiting.
- Persons with compromised immune systems or pulmonary complications should visit only if absolutely necessary.
- Any visitor noted to have influenza-like symptoms will be given a mask and asked to leave the facility.
- In the Birth Center, visitors should be immediate family only. Siblings that are not showing signs of illness will be allowed to visit.
- Compassionate exceptions to these restrictions may be warranted and will be evaluated on a case by case basis.

Visitors are asked to wash their hands often, before entering a patient room and prior to leaving the facility. Sinks with soap and waterless hand sanitizer dispensers are available throughout the hospital.