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Sanford Health updates hospital, clinic visitor policies during COVID-19 pandemic

SIoux FALLS, S.D. — Sanford Health is updating its visitor policy to protect the health and safety of its patients and staff in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The updates take effect on March 27.

Visitors will no longer be allowed in Sanford Health hospitals with the following exceptions:

- For births, NICU, pediatrics: One pre-determined visitor allowed daily
- End of life: determined on a case-by-case basis
- End of life COVID-19 patient: One pre-determined visitor allowed daily. Visitor must follow protective measures including masking and self-quarantine for 14 days following visit.

For Sanford clinic visits and outpatient appointments, patients should not bring a guest unless the patient is a minor or the patient is an adult in need of assistance.

If you have COVID-19 symptoms please call your regular health care provider — do not come in person to the clinic in order to protect staff and other patients. As a reminder, those symptoms include fever, cough and shortness of breath.

About Sanford Health

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