Neonatal ICU Visitation

Two visitors per family may enter the unit at one time. One of these persons must be a parent or significant other. (All parental guidelines apply for designated significant others.) While we do have a liberal visitation policy in the intensive care unit, we encourage focused visits. This allows you and your baby rest periods. As your baby's condition improves, longer periods of visitation are encouraged. **Visitors must be 12 years and older.**

- Parents or legal guardians are welcome in the Neonatal Unit anytime **except** during the following times:
 - Change of shift: 6 to 7:30 a.m. and 6 to 7:30 p.m.
 - During certain procedures parents may be asked to step outside of the unit for a short time.
- Siblings 5 years and older may visit with parents once a day. A **health checklist** must be completed before siblings can visit. Due to safety concerns, siblings may not hold or feed the patient during their visit. During sibling visits, 2 adults and the siblings will be allowed at the bedside of the infant as family time. It is the responsibility of one of the adults to supervise siblings during the visit. If at any time the visiting sibling's behavior becomes inappropriate for the Neonatal Unit, the second adult will be expected to take the sibling out of the unit.

 Children may not be left unattended outside of the unit.

Visitation subject to change based on current hospital visitation guidelines.

