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Welcome to the Royal Hospital for Women. We look forward to providing you with an exceptional care experience whilst you are with us.

As you are aware, Coronavirus (COVID-19) has been evolving within the broader Sydney community. We would like to assure you we are working closely with NSW Health to monitor, manage and contain the spread of the virus and in view of these challenges, we have implemented changes to our visiting policy to keep everyone safe and reduce any risk of exposure of the virus to your loved ones in the hospital.

To support us in this important work, there have been changes to our inpatient visitor policy.

We would like to remind you that at present, your partner or carer will not be able to attend the Hospital if they:

- Have a fever, cough, shortness of breath or sore throat
- Have been in close contact with anyone who has COVID-19 in the last 14 days or
- Have been overseas, or in an identified area of concern in the last 14 days

In addition, we would also like to remind you of the visitor policy that has been introduced until further notice:

- All partners/carers will need to be screened at the hospital entrance and advised to wear a mask.
- No visitors on Macquarie Gynaecology/Gynaecology Oncology Ward
- Women who are admitted to our hospital as a Maternity inpatient are only to have one visitor or carer. This includes Birthing Unit.
- One parent/carer to visit Newborn Care Centre
- No children/sibling will be able visit inpatients.
- If any parent/carer is unwell - report to staff immediately and present yourself to your GP or Randwick Covid19 Assessment Clinic.
- Hand hygiene – wash your hands when entering and leaving the Clinic and Ward areas, before and after eating and after going to the toilet. Use alcohol hand rub on leaving the area.
- No deliveries of food, flowers or gifts will be accepted into the hospital at this time.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please feel free to discuss these with the medical, nursing or midwifery staff who will be providing your care. We appreciate your cooperation with this request and will provide you with any updates as they become available.

Kind regards
Helen McCarthy
Director of Nursing and Midwifery Services