



ATTENTION: PREGNANT PATIENTS


As we balance the need for safety, with the important role care partners play, we continue to have some limitations on care partner and visitor access at this time.

We are asking that all pregnant patients call the Maternal Child Unit at 613-969-7400 extension 2345 OR your midwife prior to coming to Quinte 7 ***for any reason***. This includes reasons like when you feel you may be in labour or you have a concern about your pregnancy. This will allow the health care team to pre-screen you, direct you to the best place for care and allow the team to be prepared to ensure the safety of everyone involved.

If you have a booked appointment on the Maternal Child Unit you can expect a screening phone call. **If you have not had a call prior to leaving for the appointment, please call us at 613-969-7400 extension 2345.** This phone number is not a general information line; it should only be used for patients requiring urgent assessment for a current problem.

PLEASE NOTE: Quinte Health Care has updated the visiting policy. This policy is in place to balance the needs of our patients and the importance of limiting the number of people coming into the hospital to keep our patients, staff, physicians and communities safe. Please go to the Quinte Health Care website for more information on our current visiting restrictions: <https://www.qhc.on.ca/visiting-hours-p12.php>

A couple of important things to know before you come include:

- Care partner(s) must be consistent for the duration of your Labour and Delivery and Postpartum stay
- **Care partners are required to wear at mask at all times while in the hospital.** If they are unable to wear a mask you must identify a different care partner who can meet the requirements
- Care partner(s) must screen negative for COVID-19 daily using the hospital's QR screening tool 



Visitors are asked to not eat or drink while in the hospital. Care partners are allowed to go in and out of the hospital for this purpose but are encouraged to limit the number of times moving in and out of the building.

If you plan to breast/chest feed or feed expressed human milk, please bring a breast/chest pump with you if you have one.

Specific situations involving patients with COVID-19 will be reviewed on a case by case basis. Please talk with your health care provider if you have any concerns about meeting these requirements.

If your primary concern is related to a possible COVID-19 infection, and not related to your pregnancy, follow the community guidelines in place. Please call the Hastings and Prince Edward Public Health Unit or access their website for more information specific to COVID-19.

Thank you for your co-operation during this very difficult time.

The Maternal Child Team