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To our Hasbro Children's Hospital inpatient families

In light of the ever-changing Covid-19 rates in the community, we are working hard to update the visitation practices within the Hospital setting. This means the following UPDATES to our inpatient medical unit, visitation policy:

- Two assigned Patient caregivers (PCG) permitted for the patient's entire hospitalization. Two additional identified support persons will be permitted, for a total of 4 (2 PCG's & 2 Support persons) per child, with a maximum of 2 permitted at the bedside, per patient at any given time; between the hours of 8am -7pm.
 *The identified PCG's and support persons must be 18 years old or older and will be the only people allowed at the bedside, for the entire hospital stay.
- Only a total of 1 (either the identified PCGs or support persons), will be permitted to remain with the child at the bedside overnight (7pm-8am).
- **Pre- and Post-Operative areas:** A total of 2 PCGs (*must be 18 years old or older*) will be permitted to stay with child. Only one (1) caregiver at a time will be permitted to remain with their child in the pre-Operative area and recovery room (Post-anesthesia Care Unit, PACU). The 2 Caregivers may stay together in the waiting room. *Please note, no young siblings under age 18.

***IMPORTANT ***

ALL who enter the hospital are required to wear a mask

- Please wash or sanitize your hands before entering the Hospital, before/after eating, using the assigned restroom, and upon exiting and entering the patient's room.
- You will be asked to identify **ONLY 2** Patient caregivers **and 2 additional support persons** at time of admission to the hospital. No other visitors will be identified or permitted during the entire duration of the patients stay.
- Each identified patient caregiver will receive one blue wrist band and one blue PCG badge. Both are to be always worn, while in the hospital. There will be **ONLY 2 Red visitor badges** provided to the patient. These Red badges will be handed out to the identified support person by the PCG before they are permitted to enter the unit.
- All patient caregivers will show their blue bracelet and blue PCG badge at the hospital entrance and be screened. All will need to have a badge to be permitted on the unit.
- All patient caregivers and support persons must be screened DAILY for respiratory symptoms on every entry into the hospital. A new screening and sticker will be provided each day.
 - o If a support person has a fever, cough, sore throat, or respiratory symptoms, they will not be allowed to enter the hospital.

Please note policies may change as the community situations evolve.

We would like to acknowledge everyone's commitment to safety, and your contribution in keeping your child and Hasbro safe. We understand and apologize for the difficulty these restrictions may impose on our patients and families, please know that we are acting in the best interest of our community.

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