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****Sent on behalf of John B. Murphy, MD, President, Rhode Island and Hasbro Children's Hospital;
Arthur Sampson, President, The Miriam Hospital; Crista F. Durand, President, Newport Hospital;
and Henry Sachs, MD, President, Bradley Hospital****

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Dear Colleague:

The falling number of COVID positive patients in our hospitals and across our state has allowed us—for now—to move from Phase 3 to Phase 2 temporary restrictions on visitation.

Effective today, July 15, at The Miriam and Newport hospitals, and Thursday, July 16 at Rhode Island Hospital, we will be allowing a maximum of two visitors per adult patient during specified hours. [Read the policy here.](#)

Hasbro Children's Hospital will continue to allow two parents/guardians for the duration of the hospital stay, but both may now enter at the same time. Bradley Hospital will allow two weekly visits by a parent/guardian or medical decision maker.

The new visiting hours are as follows:

- Rhode Island Hospital: 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. or 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.
- The Miriam Hospital: 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. or 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.
- Newport Hospital:
 - Medical/Surgical and ICU: 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. or 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.
 - Vanderbilt Inpatient Unit: 3 p.m. – 4 p.m. or 5 p.m. – 6 p.m.
 - Behavioral Health Unit: noon – 1 p.m. or 6 p.m. – 7 p.m.

Visitors must remain in patient rooms and will not be allowed to visit the cafeterias or gift shops.

As visitors gradually return to our hospitals, it is more important than ever that we adhere to the same safety practices that we require of the public. Please:

- **Wear your mask at all times, making sure that it covers your nose and mouth**
- **Maintain a safe distance from colleagues, particularly when eating and socializing**
- **Continue to be vigilant in practicing hand hygiene**
- **Stay home if you are sick, and go home at the first sign of any COVID-like symptom**

Thank you for your help in welcoming visitors back safely.

Sincerely,

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