

VISITING THE LABOR & DELIVERY UNIT

at Huntsville Hospital for Women & Children

We understand how important it is to have support from your family and friends at this special time. Please review our visitor guidelines and help your family know what to expect when they visit. Our first priority is always to give you and your baby high quality care and to do so in the safest environment.

- All visitors should wear a BADGE. Two badges will be provided to you at your time of admission and may be switched between your visitors throughout your stay. These badges will give your visitors entry into Labor & Delivery. You may have one designated support person for the entirety of your stay. They will have an armband that distinguishes them from your visitors.
- When not in the patient's room, visitors are asked to wait in the visitors waiting area on the 1st floor. The waiting area located on the 2nd floor is for OB Emergency Department patients and family only.
- While in the Labor & Delivery department, all visitors should remain in your room or in the designated waiting areas. Please help us keep the hallways clear.
- All siblings are permitted to visit when accompanied by an adult. Other children who visit should be at least 16 years old and will use one of the two badges provided.
- Please be sure all visitors wash their hands upon entering your room.
- From 6 a.m. to 9 p.m., you may have one designated support person and two visitors stay in your room. After 9 p.m., you may have one support person stay, unless you have been deemed in active labor, then you may have your one support person and two visitors.
- You may have one support person in the Operating Room for Cesarean Sections. This limitation is for you and your baby's safety. In the event that general anesthesia is used, the support person will be asked to leave the room.
- You may have one support person stay in your room during epidural placement.
- Please leave your strollers, diaper bags and infant carriers with your family members in the waiting area.
- Only hospital staff with a pink rose on their badge should be allowed to transport your infant.
- During labor, you may be sensitive to smells, so we ask that your visitors dine in the cafeteria or in the designated lobby areas.
- For your safety and well being, your care team may apply temporary visitation restrictions.

Thank you for cooperating with these guidelines so that we may best serve you and your baby.
- Maternity Services