

# RANCHO LOS AMIGOS NATIONAL REHABILITATION CENTER

## Infection Prevention and Control

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**SUBJECT: ISOLATION GUIDELINES: ISOLATION  
PRECAUTIONS FOR VISITORS**

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### **Excerpt from Administrative Policy B700: Patient visiting hours, visitor registration, number of visitors per patient, visitor restriction, and isolation precautions for visitors**

The Rancho Rehabilitation Center understands the need and encourages patients to be visited by their family and friends. To protect our patients, Rancho requires patients' family and friends to be free of an active or incubating infection when visiting.

Patients placed on isolation may continue to have family and friends visit as per hospital policy. Only in rare instances would time and number of visitors need to be limited. All visitors must be instructed in how to carry out proper isolation technique. The following guidelines are to help aid in such instructions:

Child Visitors are allowed with the following restrictions:

- i. Children under 18 years old must be accompanied by an adult and supervised at all time.
- ii. Children under 12 years old are only permitted to visit patients placed in Contact Isolation Precautions with the approval of the Attending Physician or Nurse Manager or their Designee.
- iii. Children under the age of 12 years old are **not allowed to visit** a patient who is on Droplet or Airborne Precautions.

#### **Contact precautions**

##### **Standard Precautions plus:**

1. Perform hand hygiene before and after visiting patients even if gloves were worn
2. Gloves and gown necessary if involved in patient care or touching contaminated articles.

#### **Droplet Precautions**

##### **Standard Precautions plus:**

1. Perform hand hygiene before and after visiting patients even if gloves were worn
2. Gloves, gown and mask *before* entering room

#### **Airborne Precautions**

##### **Standard Precautions plus:**

1. Nurse will instruct visitors on how to wear the N-95 respirator and self-check for proper fitting according to manufacture instructions
2. Wear NIOSH-approved N-95 respirator *before* entering room
3. Remove the N-95 respirator **after** exiting the room and the door is closed. Discard

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the N-95 respirators after each use

**Airborne Precautions (continued)**

**Standard Precautions plus:**

4. Perform hand hygiene before and after visiting patient
5. Children under the age of 12 years old are **not allowed to visit** a patient who is on Airborne Precautions.

Title 22, Section 70707, Patient Rights, (17) stipulates that patients may designate visitors of their own choosing, regardless of whether the visitor is related by blood or marriage - including domestic partners, the children of the patient's domestic partner, and the domestic partner of the patient's parent or child. Section 70707, (17)(B) allows the facility to restrict visitors if it has reasonably determined that the presence of a particular visitor would endanger the health or safety of a patient, member of the health facility staff, or other visitor to the health facility, or would significantly disrupt the operations of the facility. Section 70707, (19) stipulates that a facility may establish reasonable restrictions on visitation, including hours of visitation and number of visitors.

For purpose of this policy, A "domestic partner" means two adults who have chosen to share one another's lives in an intimate and committed relationship of mutual caring, in accordance with specific provisions of existing law.