

**OLIVE VIEW-UCLA MEDICAL CENTER
PASTORAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT
POLICY & PROCEDURE**

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SUBJECT/TITLE: SOLICITED VISITATION OF PATIENT BY COMMUNITY RELIGIOUS INDIVIDUALS OR GROUPS

POLICY: At Olive View Medical Center, we strive to meet the individual spiritual needs of our patients and at the same time protect their religious preferences against proselytizing and unwanted intrusion of their privacy.

The policy of the Pastoral Services Department is to facilitate patient-clergy contact when desired by a patient whenever possible.

PURPOSE: To outline the process that community religious individuals or groups must follow when visiting a patient.

DEPARTMENTS: PASTORAL SERVICES

DEFINITION: Community religious individuals or groups: External religious individuals or groups, non-members of Olive View's Pastoral Care Services Department.

Solicited visitation: Presence was requested by a patient or with patient's permission.

PROCEDURE: All community religious individuals or groups must:

1. Be able to provide a proper I.D. (e.g. driver's license or picture I.D).
2. Check-in at the nurse station to inform clerk or charge nurse of presence here and the intent of the visit.
3. Adhere to infection control precautions as instructed by charge nurse and patient room door signs.
4. Only visit the patient that requested visit.

All community religious individuals or groups are prohibited from:

1. Conducting rounds or making bed to bed visits.
2. Distributing religious literature room by room or in the waiting areas.
3. Congregating to make public speeches in the waiting areas.

Unsolicited visitations from community religious individuals or groups are strictly prohibited.

Community religious individuals or groups violating this policy and procedure will be asked to leave the premises.

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