

WHEN MY LOVED ONE IS IN ICU

Throughout your loved ones stay in ICU, you play an essential role in the healing process. However, it is critical for you to stay healthy while your loved one is in ICU. It's important for you to continue to eat healthy and get plenty of rest. Staying up all night, day after day can interfere with decision-making. Stay positive and remember that we have highly-trained critical care nurses monitoring your loved one.

Having a loved one in ICU is very stressful. Make sure you allow time for yourself. Get up and walk around, let someone take you out for lunch, and let others visit the patient while in ICU. Save your strength, your support will be needed heavily during the recovery process.

INTENSIVE CARE UNIT

3rd Floor

724-357-7130

WAITING ROOM

724-357-6905

Intensive Care Unit



VISITATION GUIDELINES

We identify with your need to spend as much time with your loved one while they are in the ICU. As a result, we have developed accommodating visitation times. We appreciate your desire to spend time with your loved one. We would also ask that you respect our guidelines. We understand that there are certain circumstances that require some adjustments and we will do our best to accommodate.

Please call into the ICU from the family waiting area for approval from the patient's caregiver to visit.

Visiting Hours

11:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
8:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Although we understand the circumstances, the ICU does not permit more than two visitors at one time. Please understand that staff will not be available to address questions during shift changes, due to patient reporting from the previous caregiver.

Shift Changes

7:00 a.m. to 7:30 a.m.
3:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
7:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Clinicians may limit family visits if a patient status warrants. This will include times when patients may be undergoing certain procedures or testing. Please do not be offended if a nurse asks you to return to the waiting room. There are also times when the ICU may become extremely busy caring for a critical patient. This can limit visits as well.

It is helpful to designate one family member to be a liaison between the medical staff and remainder of the family. This person will be informed of patient condition and changes. It will be their duty to inform this information to friends and family members. By doing this, the nursing staff can devote more time to the care of the patient and comply with government privacy regulations.

