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## **Dosher Revises Visitor Restrictions for Hospital, Clinics**

SOUTHPORT— Due to the current decrease in COVID-19 community transmission rates, Dosher Memorial Hospital has revised visitor restrictions on the Patient Care Unit and the Dosher Emergency Department, as well as waiting room restrictions in the Dosher Medical Clinics.

<u>Patient Care Unit</u>: Visitors are welcome, ages 12 or older. The number of visitors is based on the patient clinical condition, delivery of care needs, and special precautions.

<u>COVID positive patients or suspected COVID positive</u>: 2 designated visitors per day between the hours of 1 - 5pm, who will comply with all safety precautions as instructed by staff.

<u>Emergency Department</u>: Patients in our Emergency Department may have up to two (2) visitors as space allows. If patient is suspected of having COVID-19, the 2 visitors must be the same designated people throughout the patient's time in the Emergency Department.

<u>Dosher Medical Clinics</u>: Waiting rooms are open effective March 8, 2022. All patients will be screened, and social distancing will be practiced.

All patients and visitors, in the hospital and Dosher clinics, remain required to wear a face covering at all times.

We are committed to keeping patients, staff and visitors safe and will adjust visitation policies accordingly.

For the latest patient and community information regarding COVID-19, visit Dosher.org/COVID.

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