EMERGENCY PANDEMIC VISITOR POLICY

In order to protect patients, employees, staff, volunteers, and the community from potential exposure to COVID-19, Cherokee Nation Health Services is updating the following emergency pandemic visitor policy effective April 12, 2022.

- Visitors will be required to comply with all PPE requirements of the facility/department or they may be asked to leave the facility until they are willing to do so.
- Visitors will be allowed to accompany or visit patients at Cherokee Nation Health Services facilities under the circumstances presented below:

For W.W. Hastings Hospital

Visiting hours: 9:00 am-7:00pm daily

- Pediatric patients will be allowed two (2) visitors per day.
- All adult inpatients (including Labor and Delivery patients) will be allowed two adult visitors/caregivers per day.
- Adult ED/UC patients will be allowed to have one (1) visitor accompany them.
- Pediatric ED/UC patients will be allowed to have two (2) visitors accompany them.
- Exceptions to the visiting hours may be made for pediatric and/or Labor and Delivery patients.

For all Outpatient Health Centers

- Pediatric patients may be accompanied by two (2) visitors. Designated caregivers must stay in the facility for the entire duration of the patient’s appointment.
- Adult patients may be accompanied by one (1) visitor.

For all Cherokee Nation Health Services Facilities

- All Visitors/caregivers will be screened for COVID-19 exposure, and COVID-19 symptoms such as fever, cough, and/or shortness of breath. If symptoms and/or evidence of exposure are present, the visitor/caregiver may not be allowed to enter the facility.
- Facility Medical Directors and/or their designee may evaluate individual visitation requests on a case-by-case basis.