

## Important Information About Visitation Guidelines

The safety and well-being of our patients, visitors and staff is our number one priority. Please be aware of the following newly revised guidelines before visiting one of our hospitals or healthcare facilities:

## NO VISITORS WILL BE ALLOWED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

in Rutgers University Behavioral Health Care facilities.

## **Current visiting policy is as follows:**

- **Adult psychiatric inpatient** NO visitors permitted.
- **Child/Adolescent psychiatric inpatient** NO visitors permitted.
  - **ONE** parent or legal guardian may be present for admissions and discharges only.
- **Emergency department (APS)** minor patients may be accompanied by **ONE** adult.

PLEASE NOTE: Extenuating circumstances will be considered based on the best interest and needs of the individual patient. Family members can leave essential belongings at the front desk for admitted patients. Please do not drop off non-essential items, such as food.

Approved guests will be screened for the following and may <u>not</u> be allowed to visit or stay based on:

- International travel, in the last 14 days
- Direct Contact with individuals with known COVID19
- Cold or flu-like symptoms including fever, shortness of breath and cough

All visitors should wash their hands with soap and water or use hand sanitizer before and after visiting.

While we are sensitive to the difficulties facing loved ones of hospitalized patients, our healthcare providers must keep patient and staff safety paramount at this unprecedented time. We encourage family members and friends to use alternative ways to interact with their loved ones, including phone and video calls and we are working to make this available to you.