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### Tri-County Health Care updates visitor restrictions

**WADENA, Minn. – Nov. 23, 2020** – Tri-County Health Care has updated its visitor guidelines due to the increased spread of COVID-19 in the region.

Effective Monday, Nov. 23, only one visitor or support person is permitted for clinic appointments and OB ultrasounds. Pediatric patients may have one parent or guardian, and vulnerable adults may have one adult visitor or guardian. No visitors are allowed for Emergency Room or ReadyCare patients. Exceptions for special situations are only allowed with prior approval from the care team supporting the patient.

These new restrictions are in place to reduce the transmission of COVID-19 by limiting people in the hospital, clinic and specialty areas. All staff, patients and approved visitors are screened for temperature and asked several health-related questions upon entry. Everyone in the facility is required to wear masks at all times.

Tri-County Health Care appreciates patience and understanding while implementing these new changes. These guidelines are reviewed regularly to ensure patient and staff needs are met while maintaining a safe environment.

For more information, visit [TCHC.org](http://TCHC.org).

#### **ABOUT TRI-COUNTY HEALTH CARE**

Tri-County Health Care is a private, not-for-profit health care system based in Wadena, Minnesota. It offers care services such as primary health, surgery, cancer care, diagnostic imaging, obstetrics, orthopedics and rehabilitation. Tri-County Health Care operates a hospital and medical clinic in Wadena, and serves the counties of Wadena, Todd and Otter Tail through five satellite clinics and two physical therapy clinics in Bertha, Henning, Ottertail, Sebeka and Verndale. Visit [TCHC.org](http://TCHC.org).

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