# **Emergency Response Policies and Procedures**

					2021 Summary of Policy Revisions	
Policy #	New	Major	Minor	Reviewed	Policy Title	Explanation (All New Policies and Major Revisions)
5040.02 v12		X			Visitor Limitations Policy	-Visitors do not include San Bernardino County Personnel on campus to conduct Official County Business.
						-Attachment of and reference to the <u>State</u> <u>Public Health Order</u> : Requirements for  Visitors in Acute Health Care and Long- Term Care Settings and are summarized below:
						Section I (NEW) -Visitor Verification of COVID-19 Vaccination and/or COVID-19 Negative Test (within 72 hours) -Facilities must have a plan in place for tracking verified visitor vaccination status or documentation of a negative SARS-CoV-2 test. Records of vaccination verification or documentation of a negative SARS-CoV-2 test must be made available, upon request, to the local health jurisdiction for purposes of case investigation.
						Section II (2) - Changed verbiage from "End of Life" to Patients in Critical Condition, When Death May Be Imminent
						Section III(A)(2) - For Pediatric patients, changed wording to state, "The visitor is screened upon entry who may screen with a positive answer to the screening question(s), but must be asymptomatic for COVID symptoms."
						Section IV (A) - includes verbiage for support persons also has references to Section I for COVID-19 vaccination or proof of a negative COVID-19 test w/in 72 hours

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						Section IV (C) - adds language to allow staff to screen throughout one's visit.
						<b>Section V</b> - Added Definitions for the following: Visitor; Support Person; Fully Vaccinated; Incompletely Vaccinated; and WHO Yellow Card
						Section VI - Includes references to the: CMS Conditions of Participation and State Public Health Order: Requirements for Visitors in Acute Health Care and Long- Term Care Settings
5040.02 v13		Х				-Removed attachment of and reference to the <u>State Public Health Order</u> : Requirements for Visitors in Acute Health Care and Long-Term Care Settings
						-Added attachment of and reference to California Department of Health All Facilities Letter (AFL) 21.31, Visitor Limitation Guidance at General Acute Care Hospitals (GACHs), August 5, 2021 and are summarized below:
						The term "visitor" and "support person" are used interchangeably
						Policy Statement - visitors are those individuals who are considered a guest of the patient; not applicable to First Responders, Law Enforcement from any agency; Additionally, in the situations listed below, there is limited exemption from the vaccination or testing requirement for 72 hours for the following:

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						<ul> <li>Parent or guardian visitors of pediatric patients</li> <li>A support person for a labor and delivery patient</li> <li>Support persons for a patient with physical, intellectual, developmental disability, or cognitive impairments</li> </ul>
						Section I (C) - Visitors may choose antigen or molecular (e.g. PCR) testing to satisfy the testing requirement. (D) - Records of vaccination verification or documentation of a negative SARS-CoV-2 test must be retained for one year following the public health emergency.
						Section II (2)(D) Behavioral Health Unit Patients (in congregate settings only) Section V(G) "Patients in critical condition when death may be imminent" is a determination made by the patient's attending physician. It also includes (with limited exemption) a parent or guardian of visitors of pediatric patients, a support person for a labor and delivery patient and/or support persons for a patient with physical, intellectual, developmental disability, or cognitive impairments.
5040.02 v14		X			Visitor Limitations Policy	Clarification of the definition of visitors. from County HR. Updated language in the Policy Statement and in Section V (Definitions). The term "visitor" and "support person" are

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						used interchangeably. "Visitor" means friends and family of any patient, employee, contractors, external vendors, suppliers and the public. Visitor also includes former employees, temporary employees, remote employees, employees from other worksites, employees who are not assigned to work at the facility in question, and employees on any form of leave of absence.