



HOSPITAL SAFETY INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

PATIENT IMPRINT

For a safe hospital stay:

We want this to be a safe environment for you and your baby. Parents, staff, and visitors all play an important part in helping us reach this goal. To help ensure you and your baby have a safe and enjoyable stay with us, here is a list of some of the safety measures we use on our unit:

- Specialized training for staff in maintaining a secure and safe environment
- Security doors and video cameras throughout the Family Maternity Center
- Bracelets with matching numbers for you, your baby, and your primary support person
 - You and your baby’s band numbers will be checked whenever your baby is separated from you and again when your baby is returned
- Do not sleep with your baby in your bed or while relaxing on the couch or chair
 - When you feel sleepy or plan on sleeping, place the baby in the bassinet
 - If you should fall asleep with your baby in your bed or arms, your nurse will move the baby to the bassinet
 - Accidental infant falls happen because of unfamiliar surroundings, the effects of medication and design of the hospital bed, couch, or chair
 - Obtain information regarding co-bedding at home from your newborn’s care provider
- Babies are moved to and from the nursery or any other procedure area in their bassinet and may not be carried in the hallways
 - Only staff, you or your primary support person may have your baby outside your room
- Babies must remain in the Family Maternity Center at all times
- We will teach you steps you can take to keep your baby safe
 - Do not give your baby to anyone who is not wearing a Providence photo name badge and additional Family Maternity bright pink identification. Be sure the photo matches the person wearing the badge
 - Do not leave your baby alone in the room while you shower or go for a walk. A family member may watch the baby or you may discuss options with your nurse
 - If in doubt about anyone in your room, immediately call for your nurse
 - We encourage you to accompany your baby to and from any procedure

We know the importance that family and support person(s) play in your hospital stay

- To ensure the safety of your family and visitors, we ask that you take a moment with your nurse to review your environment and answer any questions you may have
- The hospital is an unfamiliar environment with unusual sights, sounds, and smells, therefore before any procedure your nurse will review what to expect with you and your family
- We ask that your support person(s) stay rested and fed throughout your stay as well, so that they may remain an active part of your care
- During procedures, the hospital staff will provide your support person(s) with a safe location, which may include having them sit in a chair or limiting the number of visitors in your room, if necessary

I have read and understand the above information.

Parent

Family Maternity RN

Date

Time