

## Hawke's Bay Maternity Services in Level 2 - visiting & support person

Maternity services will allow one designated support person with a birthing mother throughout their stay at Alert Level 2, plus one named visitor during visiting times on the postnatal ward.

### Labour and Birthing Suite

- One designated support person is permitted throughout. They can be present throughout the induction process and for acute assessments.
- They must be screened prior to entry and their details documented. As with other levels, this must be the same person (no switching out).
- They are encouraged to remain in the patient room as much as possible.
- Support person **MUST** read the agreement and be wearing a wrist band at all times to be deemed a support person. They will not be allowed to come back in if they are not wearing a wrist band.
- Support person can come and go from the hospital (i.e.: does not have to stay at all times)
- There will be no visitors in labour and birthing suite.

### Postnatal ward – support person

- One designated support person is permitted to remain with birthing mother.
- They are encouraged to remain in the patient room as far as possible and will be fed if staying overnight.
- Support person will be rescreened once per day for any new symptoms that have developed.
- The support person is permitted to leave and come back.
- The support person **MUST** be wearing a wrist band to be deemed a support person.

### Postnatal ward – visitors

- Women in the postnatal ward are permitted one named visitor to visit between 1pm and 8pm.
- They can have different visitors on different days but only one person per day. That person may only visit once a day – if they leave they can't come back.
- The visitor will be screened, their contact details recorded and a record kept of when they arrived and left for contact tracing requirements.
- No children are allowed.

### Waioha - COVID patients

Birthing women identified having or suspected of having COVID may have a support person with them in the room but the support person is not allowed to go to theatre with them. No visitors.

### Te Kākano (Antenatal Clinic)/Day Assessment Unit/ Maternity ultrasound appointments

No support persons or visitors allowed. If there are exceptional circumstances, these should be discussed with the Clinical Midwife Manager.

### Special Care Baby Unit (SCBU)

To ensure the protection of our most vulnerable babies within the SCBU unit, only parents with no symptoms of COVID-19 are able to visit SCBU. Both mother and father are permitted to visit **but separately**.