

SOME QUICK TIPS

→ If you are coming to the Emergency Department:

Please leave "well" persons at home to avoid having them come in contact with people who are ill. Also, keep in mind that space is limited in the waiting area, so it is essential that we have room for people who need it. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter!

→ Make sure you "self-screen" before you enter the Emergency Department, using the form provided. **ALWAYS** bring your health card with you.

→ If you are injured while at the hospital, please seek help where you are or proceed as quickly as possible to our Emergency Department. Staff will be happy to assist you in any way they can.

→ Please observe all posted safety signs and directions given to you by staff.

→ Visitors, please observe **Isolation Precautions**. Wear any specified Personal Protective Equipment and receive specific safety orientation as needed.

All hospital employees have the responsibility for ensuring health and safety in the workplace. Employees will work safely and in compliance with the Occupational Health and Safety (OH&S) Act, its regulations, and hospital policies and procedures. Employees will report all unsafe and unhealthy conditions and practices in the workplace to their immediate supervisors so that they may be promptly remedied. It is the policy of the Hospital to:

1. Implement an effective safety and accident prevention program.
2. Pursue a hazard free hospital environment by the continuous development of safe work practices and procedures.
3. Assure compliance through the active participation, education and accountability of employees, volunteers and professional staff in accident prevention, in a manner consistent with the OH&S Act.

For more information, contact:

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Patient and Visitor Safety Information

For your safety and the safety of all persons at the Haldimand War Memorial Hospital, we ask that you please read this pamphlet carefully.

WHAT TO DO IF....

YOU HEAR A FIRE ALARM



- **LISTEN** to the public address system for the fire location.
- On the Ground Floor, go to the Main Entrance (Outside the Cafeteria)
- On the 1st Floor (Doctors Offices, OR, Offices), use the stairs
- and return to the Ground Floor Main Entrance.
- On the 2nd Floor (Inpatient Unit), go to the Nurses' Station.

YOU SEE A FIRE - REACT



- Remove those in immediate danger away from harm (from the room).
- Ensure containment - close the door.
- Activate the Fire Alarm.
- Call switchboard at the nearest telephone, dial "0"; stay on the phone to give details
- Try to evacuate

YOU SEE A HAZARDOUS SITUATION

- Report your concern to the nearest staff member or security.

YOU ARE TRAPPED IN AN ELEVATOR

- **DON'T PANIC!**
- Push the Alarm button in the elevator.
- Call for help on the Emergency Phone.
- **RELAX.** We will have you out quickly.



HELP US SPREAD THE WORD...NOT THE BUG!

HANDWASHING IS THE BEST PREVENTION AGAINST GERMS AND DISEASE.

Wash your hands with soap and warm water as often as needed or use the waterless hand sanitizers provided throughout the hospital. It is very important to practice good hand hygiene when you are in the hospital.



FOLLOW "COUGH ETIQUETTE"



Cough or sneeze into the crook of your elbow, not your hands, or use a tissue to cover your mouth. Dispose of the tissue immediately.



OTHER SAFETY CONCERNS...

FOR THE SAFETY OF OUR PATIENTS, STAFF AND VISITORS:

We maintain a "SCENT FREE" policy.

Therefore, we ask that you refrain from bringing ANY scents (e.g. perfumes, aftershaves and heavily-scented flowers) into the hospital because they can trigger migraines, allergies and breathing problems.

We are a SMOKE-FREE facility.

Therefore, there is no smoking in any building or within 9.5 metres of any doorway or window.

We do not allow latex balloons

This is to protect anyone with latex allergies.

Thank you for taking time to read this brochure and for helping us make the Haldimand War Memorial Hospital a safe place for all.