

Introduction of maternity visiting restrictions

Milton Keynes University Hospital will introduce strict maternity visiting restrictions from Saturday 4 April in order to safeguard mothers and newborn babies during the coronavirus outbreak.

The new measures, which will take effect from 8am on Saturday (4 April), are as follows:

Appointment type / department	Others who can attend
Booked scan appointments – early pregnancy, 12 weeks and 20 weeks	1 adult who must be well. No children. (All subject to review by the unit on the day).
Scanning growth	None.
Early Pregnancy Assessment Unit	None.
Antenatal Day Assessment Unit	None.
Antenatal inpatients	None.
Labour Ward	1 birth partner who must be well.
Post-natal	1 birth partner who must be well – for a maximum of 90 minutes per day. (All subject to review by the unit on the day).

Please note that there may be occasions when we will not be able to permit any partners or adults to visit, and this restriction may occur at late notice.

The Trust appreciates that these restrictions will be concerning for all parties, but they are crucial in order for the Trust to maintain patient safety and help prevent the potential spread of infection during the current outbreak.

The Trust will keep the restrictions under review and we would like to thank everyone for their support, patience and co-operation while these restrictions are in place.

The new visiting restrictions are in line with guidance issued by The Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists and The Royal College of Midwives.

We appreciate that you may have questions about the new restrictions and, if you'd like further information, please contact your midwife