

# Specialist Palliative Care Unit, Harold's Cross

***Visiting arrangements are constantly reviewed in line with Covid-19 transmission levels & HSE advice.***



From Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021, the following arrangements apply:

- Visiting Hours are from 11.00 to 19.00
- Patients may have up to two visitors in the Hospice at a time. Please restrict this to family and close friends.
- Different people may visit during visiting hours – remember, the lower the number of different visitors, the lower the risk for all. Also, patients may be tired and need to rest during the day.
- Children who are immediate relatives can visit by arrangement. Please discuss this with the nurse in charge.
- For our sickest patients, and in special circumstances, we can make exceptions. Please talk to the nurse in charge.

**For the safety of our patients, visitors and staff we strongly recommend that all visitors are fully vaccinated.**

**Visitors, please bring your vaccination certificate as it will be checked when you arrive. If you do not have a certificate or you are not vaccinated you will need to take extra precautions during your visit. This includes wearing a plastic apron when in a patient's room. We ask that you do not remove your mask at any time.**

We kindly remind visitors to:

- Sanitise your hands when arriving and leaving
- Check your temperature at reception
- Wear the surgical face mask given to you on arrival while you are in the building
- Practice social distancing at all times
- Follow guidance on signs and advice provided by staff
- Stay in the patient's room or courtyard during your visit as much as possible
- Remember the restaurant is available for take-away only
- Please use the Palliative Care Unit entrance on the main avenue between 11am and 7pm. Out of hours access is through the Caritas building.

Visitors, please talk to us if you:

- have symptoms of a cold, flu or Covid-19
- are a "close contact"
- are not fully vaccinated.

Visits to those being treated, or awaiting a test result, for Covid-19 are considered on a case-by-case basis. You will be advised if you are required to wear full PPE.

Please talk to the ward staff for further details or if you have any questions.

Thank you for helping us to keep everyone safe.