

Relaxation of visitation restrictions in general wards

The requirements for visiting patients starting June 1, 2026, are as follows:

➤ **Visiting Hours:**

- Weekdays: 13:00-20:00,
- Weekends and Holidays: 10:00-20:00

➤ **Visitation Guidelines:**

- Upon arrival, please ensure to fill out the visitor form at following locations.

Ward Nurse Station: Weekdays before 17:00

Main Entrance: Weekdays after 17:00, Weekends and Holidays)

- Please submit a visitor form at each ward nurse station and sanitize your hands.

• **As of June 1, 2026, wearing a mask is generally a matter of personal choice for patients, visitors, and staff.**

However, you are still required to wear a mask in the following cases:

- If you have symptoms such as fever, cough, or a sore throat.
- If your attending physician recommends wearing a mask.
- If you are scheduled to be admitted to the hospital in the near future.
- We may request that you wear a mask during outbreaks of infectious diseases or as otherwise necessary.
- Please step out of the room temporarily when the patient is having a meal.
- Visitation may be restricted for immunocompromised patients at the discretion of the attending physician.

We kindly ask for your continued cooperation.

Please refrain from the following:

- Visiting if you have a fever or feel unwell.
- Bringing young children (preschool aged and younger).
- Visiting in large groups.
- Eating and/or drinking in the ward.

We ask for your understanding and cooperation to prevent the infection of patients and healthcare workers, who can develop severe pneumonia due to various infections.

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Director of Kobe University Hospital