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**House Rules**

**Visitors are allowed outdoors, in reserved den spaces, and in your personal room.**

* Patients must have an adult caregiver onsite at all times.
* To keep our House census up to date, let us know when caregivers arrive or leave during your stay.

1. **Room Use: If you are not using your RMH room for a night, please speak with a House Manager.**
2. **Unsafe, disruptive, or illegal behaviors are not allowed, such as:**

* Violent, intimidating, threatening, and non-tolerant behaviors.
* Storing, consuming or being under the influence of alcohol, marijuana or illegal drugs. Speak with a House Manager about policies regarding medical marijuana.
* Storing/carrying weapons.
* Physical punishment of children.

1. **Smoking:** Families are required to smoke off RMH property unless it is after dark or there is inclement weather. In these situations, smoking is only allowed in designated outdoor smoking areas.
2. **To keep a clean and safe home, your family will be required to:**

* Clean up after your family in all shared areas of the House. Disinfect your work spaces in the kitchen and laundry room before and after use.
* Keep your room clean and in good condition.
* Complete the cleaning check list before checking out.

1. **Room Checks/Room Entry:**
   * Due to the current concerns regarding COVID-19, we are not performing room checks. When room check resume, two staff members will enter your room to confirm that Health Department requirements of safety and cleanliness are maintained. We will notify when room checks resume.

* Staff may also enter your room for necessary or routine maintenance needs. When possible, we will attempt to schedule this work at a time when you are not in the room.
* The House does not assume responsibility for families’ personal belongings.

1. **Food and drink:** To keep the bedrooms free of pests, please:

* Store food in the kitchen. Limited unopened nonperishable goods are allowed in bedrooms in a sealed container.
* Cooking appliances, including coffee makers, are not allowed in rooms.
* Use a tray when carrying food or open beverages to your bedroom.
* Return trays, dirty dishes and food waste to the kitchen shortly after eating to dispose of the waste, wash your tray(s), and rinse and put all dishes into the dishwasher to be cleaned.

1. **Child supervision:** Children must be supervised at all times.

* **Children 0-12 years** require direct supervision by an adult (within ear and eye shot).
* **Children 12 and up** who are well behaved can be alone as long as an adult who is responsible for their care is on RMHC property.
* Siblings are allowed to stay if one of the following criteria is met:

1. Two adult caregivers are staying with your family, and/or
2. Your family has a hospital sibling exception in place that allows siblings to be at the hospital during admissions and outpatient visits, and/or
3. You have a safety plan in place to ensure siblings have continued childcare should the patient have an unplanned or emergent appointment or hospital admission.

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1. **Quiet time** on the residential floors is from 9 p.m. until 9 a.m.
2. **Clothing:** Clothing must be modest and family friendly. Feet must be covered at all times. Young children in diapers must have clothing over their diapers to contain spills.
3. A photo ID and a sex offender registry check is required for all adult residents.
4. Do not prop open your bedroom door. Close your windows when you are out of your room.
5. Exterior doors are locked at all times. Do not allow anyone into the building unless you know that they are a registered RMHC guest.
6. The safety of our families is critical. Notify staff if anyone staying in your room (1) develops a safety concern during your stay, (2) has had a change in their criminal status or (3) is seeking an order of protection (restraining, no contact).
7. **Sickness in the House is very serious because we have patients staying with us.**

* Frequently wash your hands.
* Cover your cough by coughing or sneezing into your elbow. Immediately wash your hands after.
* Perform a daily wellness check of all family members staying in your room by taking each person’s temperature and checking for symptoms.
* Isolate in your room and immediately inform our team if anyone in your family:
  + Develops a fever,
  + Has symptoms of COVID-19 or other illness symptoms such as rash, sore throat, runny nose, cough, watery eyes, chills, general aches, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea or loss of smell or taste
  + Has been exposed to or tested positive for COVID-19 or a contagious illness
* Masks must be worn if:
  + you are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19.
  + you have been exposed to COVID-19, but are not symptomatic. Masks must continue to be worn for 10 days after exposure.
  + you test positive for COVID-19, are cleared to be in public, but are continuing to experience much reduced symptoms.

**We have read the above and agree to follow all rules. We understand that we may be asked to leave if we are not able to follow the rules.** *Depending on the circumstances, families may be asked to leave after one offense without warning, and RMHC reserves the right to pack up a family’s belongings in these circumstances.*

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Guest Signature Print Name Date

***HIPAA RELEASE STATEMENT:*** *I authorize RMHC and Children’s Hospital staff to share pertinent information regarding my child’s care and/or treatment. If my child qualifies for housing assistance, I further authorize RMHC to release pertinent medical/non-medical information, including appointment schedules, regarding my child’s care and/or treatment to Medicaid/Medicare or its agents to determine benefits for housing needs.*

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