

Support person's Code of Conduct within the Women's Ward



- Bendigo Health's Women's Ward welcomes support persons to stay overnight.
- The purpose of your stay is for you to be actively involved in all aspects of care of the baby and to assist the person being supported as much as possible.
- The presence of your overnight stay is reliant on your acceptance of this 'Support Persons Code of Conduct'.
- Any breach of this Code may result in the immediate withdrawal of your overnight privileges.

In choosing to stay overnight, you are agreeing to be bound to the following 'Support Person Code of Conduct':

- Your presence during the hospital stay must not impede the care of the person you are supporting or the care of another patient
- Nursing and housekeeping routines will not be delayed, e.g. to allow you to sleep in
- Sleeping unclothed is unacceptable. You must remain fully clothed at all times
- Once out of bed a dressing gown or equivalent attire is to be worn
- No sleepwear may be worn outside the patient's room
- For your stay, you are required to sleep in the bedding area provided, and your bed must be packed up by 8am every morning

Meals

- You will not be provided with any meals and can access the cafeteria during operating hours
- The kitchen area on the ward is for in-patients only

Toddlers / Children

- Toddlers and children are welcome to visit but are not permitted to stay overnight
- For all other visitors, including children, normal visiting hours apply 2pm – 8pm

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This checklist is to be completed and sent to the receiving hospital with the patient at the time of transfer. A copy does not need to be filed in the patient file.
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