



TAYLOR HARDIN TIMES | AUGUST 2021

SENDING MAIL?

If you are sending mail to a loved one, please include patient's name on the envelope as well as a complete return address with your name included. If you are sending a money order or check, it **MUST** include the name of the patient, person sending the funds, and a return address. You can only send funds to your loved one.

FAMILY EDUCATION

Family Education Meetings are scheduled for the **THIRD** Friday of each month from
3:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Zoom ID: 545 674 8107

VISITATION POLICY

- Visitation will be by appointment only. Please contact your loved one's social worker to schedule.
- All visitors must be 18 years or older.
- Visitation hours will be on Saturdays and Sundays from 9:00 am to 11:00 am and from 1:30 pm to 2:30 pm.
- Sessions will be limited to 30 minutes a time-slot per patient. Please arrive on time.
- All visitors will be provided an approved mask upon admission into the hospital. Masks must be kept on at all times by visitor and patient. Visitors will be screened to include going through a security screening checkpoint to monitor current temperature. Masks will be required until further notice.
- Limited to two visitors (effective 04/09/21) at a time for each patient. Only the visitors immediately meeting with the patient will be admitted to the facility. Remaining persons/family members who wish to visit must wait in their vehicle until it is their turn to visit. Picture identification is required. No personal items will be allowed. No food, drinks, or gifts/packages allowed.
- Once granted entrance to the hospital, all visitors will be required to sanitize their hands prior to being escorted to the visitation area.
- Social distancing will be required along with no physical contact.
- Please see next page for visitation schedule for the month of August.

AUGUST IS NATIONAL IMMUNIZATION AWARENESS MONTH

National Immunization Awareness Month is sponsored by the National Public Health Information Coalition (NPHIC) and is observed in August annually across the USA.

The campaign aims to raise awareness of the importance of vaccinating people of all ages against a number of serious and sometimes deadly diseases. The awareness month also celebrates the successes of the different immunizations that have been created in the 20th century and beyond.

Every year, the National Public Health Information Coalition (NPHIC), in collaboration with CDC's National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases, has developed a communication toolkit for use in your communities, schools and work places and encourages people to become involved, raise awareness and most important of all, get immunized. There are 4 key messages of the toolkits that produced annually, these being:

Vaccines protect against serious diseases.

These diseases still exist and outbreaks do occur.

Vaccines are recommended throughout our lives.

Vaccines are very safe.

There are many debates around the safety of many of the vaccinations available, however governments across the world, acting upon the advice of leading scientists and medical professionals overwhelmingly support immunization schemes. Despite this, the growing voice of the anti immunization supporters (and some other factors) has lead to a decrease in the number of people becoming vaccinated and there is little surprise that the number of people affected by diseases that in some cases had been eliminated from some countries is on the rise again.



For more information about available immunizations visit one of the official websites.

JUNE VISITATION SCHEDULE

Please contact your loved one's social worker (see below) to schedule a visit at least one week prior to the desired visitation day.

- ACE Program: July 31st and August 1st
- BEST Program: August 7th and August 8th
- CARE Program : August 14th and August 15th
- DREAM Program: August 21st and August 22nd
- ACE Program: August 28th and August 29th

WE WANT TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS

THSMF's Main Telephone number is (205) 462-4500. You may choose to use the automated system in which you select a number for the department and then the staff member you want to speak to. If you have a question related to treatment progress, Treatment Team meetings, visitation, etc. and want to speak with a social worker, you may call directly as listed below:

Lori Ellard, Director of Social Work (205) 462-4650

Jessica Hanby, BEST Program (205) 462-4658

Melinda Calligan, Placement Coordinator (205) 462-4659

Sarah Garner, CARE Program (205) 462-4656

Chloe Tilley, ACE Program (205) 462-4543

Brittney McCreary, DREAM Program (205) 462-4655