

# Family Birth Place Videotaping & Photography Guidelines

Dear Expectant Parents:

The birth of a baby is an exciting time. So that you can plan for the videotaping or photographing of this special event, we've provided our policies below. Please understand that these policies are for the safety, security and benefit of our mothers and babies, staff and physicians. Your cooperation and understanding are appreciated.

- 1 For vaginal births, videotaping and photographing are permitted, but only after the birth, and when the baby is dried, cleaned and alert.
- 2 Videotaping is not allowed during a C-section delivery. Photographs may be taken only after the baby is dried, cleaned and alert.
- 3 No photos or videotaping are permitted while the staff checks your newborn immediately after the baby's birth.
- 4 For the privacy of others, no videotaping or photographing is permitted of anything related to private patient information, including showing other patients and babies in your video or photos.
- 5 Physicians and staff involved in the birthing process, as well as with the care of mother and infant in our Mother/Baby Unit, must give their approval in advance to be included in videotaping and photographs.
- 6 For safety purposes, no tripods may be used.
- 7 No videotaping or photographing will be allowed during an emergency situation since this may interfere with patient care.
- 8 If at any time a healthcare provider asks you to stop videotaping or photographing, you must do so immediately.



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