

Temiskaming Hospital

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Your Health Information and Your Privacy in Our Hospital

When you seek health care from Temiskaming Hospital, it is assumed that we have your permission to collect, use and share your personal health information among your health care providers, including the doctors, nurses, residents, social workers, therapists, and other professionals or their support staff within the hospital, who provide or assist in providing health care to you. We may also give your personal health information to your physician or other health care providers outside the hospital so they can provide you with ongoing health care and follow up. Hospital staff who do not provide or assist you with health care are generally not allowed to see your health information.

You should let hospital staff know if you do not want us to use, share or give out some or all of your personal health information to provide you with health care.

There are times when **we need your permission** to give your information to other people. For example, we have to ask for your permission to give your personal health information to:

- People who do not provide you with health care, like insurance companies or your employer; or
- A health care professional for reasons other than providing you with health care.

Watch the next article for specific examples of when your consent is **not** required.



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Visiting Hours:

- 1000 to 2000 hours for medical patients, surgical patients and Long-Term Care patients;
- 1400 to 1600 hours and 1800 to 2000 hours for obstetrics;
- Visitors to the Special Care Unit (SCU) are restricted to immediate family and/or significant other(s).