

Policy on Patients with Disabilities

This includes patients with:

**Altered Mental Statuses • Physical or Intellectual Challenges
Cognitive Disabilities • Communication Barriers
Behavioral Concerns**

Patients may DESIGNATE AN INDIVIDUAL knowledgeable about the management of the patient's care, to assist the patient and ensure effective communication, including:

- ➔ **A family member**
- ➔ **Personal care assistant**
- ➔ **Disability service provider**
- ➔ **Or another knowledgeable individual**



THE DESIGNATED INDIVIDUAL MUST:

- ➔ **Be asymptomatic for Covid-19**
- ➔ **Not previously Covid-19 positive**
- ➔ **Screened by facility staff, including temperature check**
- ➔ **Wear a mask**
- ➔ **May be denied access for suspicion of Covid exposure**



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