

- b. A medical professional may request a chaperone for any reason during a medical encounter. If the patient declines to have a chaperone present after requested by a medical professional, the medical professional may decline to continue with the medical encounter.
- c. A chaperone must be offered to patients for sensitive examinations. The offer and the patient's response must be documented in the patient's medical record.
- d. For patients with intellectual disabilities, a chaperone must be present during any medical encounter.
- e. The medical professional should minimize inquiries or discussion of personal health history during a chaperoned encounter. The medical professional should provide an opportunity for private conversation with the patient without the chaperone present.
- f. Patients under the age of 18.
 - i. For patients under the age of 11, a parent or guardian may be present for all medical encounters. However, if the medical encounter involves a sensitive examination a chaperone must be present.
 - ii. For patients 11 to 17 years of age, it is a shared decision beginning with the patient, as to whether a parent or guardian remains in the room during any medical encounter. However, if the encounter involves a sensitive examination, a chaperone must be present.
 - iii. No parent or guardian is required to be present in the event a minor is seeking treatment or services that do not require consent from a parent or guardian as enumerated in the Ohio Revised Code.¹
- g. All requests for a chaperone must be documented in the patient's medical record.
- h. If a chaperone is present during a medical encounter, the name of the chaperone and their title, if applicable, must be documented by the medical professional in the patient's medical record.
- i. A patient or medical professional may stop a medical encounter at any time.
- j. To anonymously report a violation of this policy, please contact campus police at 419-530-2600, call 9-1-1 or use the form located at:
https://www.utoledo.edu/depts/police/Anonymous_Reporting.asp
- k. The CMO is responsible for setting guidelines to post and notify patients of their rights to a chaperone.

¹ ORC §§ 2151.85, 2108.31, 3701.242, 3719.012, 2907.29, 3709.241, 5122.04.

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