FATHER OR SIGNIFICANT OTHER IN DELIVERY/OPERATING ROOM

POLICY:

Permission to be present in the delivery/operating room at the time of delivery may be granted to a support person.

SPECIAL INFORMATION:

1. Two people can be present in the LDR for the delivery.
2. Requires approval of both mother and attending physician.
3. A “Request for Approval of Presence in Delivery Room” and “Release of Responsibility” must be signed.
4. Forms are available in the Women’s Care Center.
5. The completed forms become a part of the permanent medical record.
6. If the delivery is to be done as a cesarean,
   a) the surgery must be performed under regional anesthesia
   b) approval of anesthesiologist is required
   c) the father will change into “scrubs” and will go to the OR with the OB nurse
   d) he will sit at the head of the operating table
   e) the father will accompany the baby and OB nurse to the nursery
   f) the patient’s physician, the anesthesiologist or the baby’s attending physician may deny or withdraw permission to attend the operative delivery.