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An information guide



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An information guide for patients and visitors using North Manchester General Hospital.

For patients:

- It is hospital policy for you to phone the Birth Centre on 0161 625 8043 if you are specifically booked to have your baby there or Maternity Triage on 0161 922 3167 for all other labours or concerns, prior to coming in to have your baby. This is important even on Shabbat and Yom Tov.
- **If necessary** it is permitted to ring the entrance bell to the hospital (buttons pressed with shinui*).
- **If necessary** the lift may be used (buttons pressed with shinui*).
- If using the stairs at night some lights may go on. However this is not a problem as the wall lights are constantly on.
- **If necessary** it is permitted to use the bell on the entrance to the children's unit and the maternity wards (button pressed with shinui*).
- Toilet paper is available - please ask the staff.
- The taps on the ward are OK to use , but do not turn them to hot .
- There is an override light switch in the following designated bathrooms: Antenatal ward room 5, Post Natal ward room 9. **These are permitted for use.**
- There is a Shabbat kettle in the Shabbos room on the main corridor of the hospital near to E Block.

Visitors:

- The nearest entrance to the wards is entrance 1, however non electrical doors are available to the right of the quad entrance (entrance 3) on the main corridor of the hospital .
- Toilets are permissible to use on level 3 outside the postnatal ward and on the main corridor near the Shabbat room. Liquid hand wash is available.

Shabbat room: This is on the main corridor near E block

- The room is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and is accessed by a key pad. Instructions are on the door.
- There is food, milk, a hot water urn and reading material available within this room.

Contacts in the community

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Contacts in the hospital

Yitzchok Kaye – Jewish Chaplain via switchboard

* shinui is something that is not done in the normal way.

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