



Information for Parents and Guardians About Your Child's Care at DMC Primary Care

At DMC Primary Care, we prioritize the safety, privacy, and well-being of you and your child. Please familiarize yourself with the following policies and procedures for visits involving children and teens under 18 years of age:

Accompaniment and Documentation Requirements:

- **Parental or Guardian Presence:** Pediatric patients (under 18 years old) must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian during their appointment.
- **Legal Guardianship or Emancipated Minors:** If a legal guardian or emancipated minor is involved, relevant legal documentation must be presented at the time of the visit.
- **Photo Identification:** Front desk staff will review the photo IDs of parents or legal guardians.

If a parent or legal guardian is unable to accompany the child, DMC Primary Care requires **written permission** for the minor to be seen without them. This permission can be provided by:

- Completing the electronic Pediatric Consent Form available on the DMC Primary Care website and submitting it online or bringing a signed copy to the office.
- You may specify whether your written consent applies to a single visit, multiple visits, or until revoked.

New Hampshire Laws Regarding Minor Healthcare:

Please be aware that under New Hampshire law, minors can be seen without a parent or guardian and without written consent in the following circumstances:

1. **Emergency Care:** At the provider's discretion.
2. **Sexually Transmitted Infection (STI) Care:** Ages 14 and up.
3. **HIV Testing:** Ages 14 and up.
4. **Drug Dependency Treatment:** Ages 12 and up.
5. **Mental Health Services:** At the provider's discretion.
6. **Contraceptive Services:** Ages 14 and up.
7. **Pregnancy Care:** At the provider's discretion.

Follow My Health Patient Portal Information:

- As a parent or legal guardian of a minor, you are allowed to set up a proxy access account through the Follow My Health patient portal.
- You will have full access to your child's health information until they turn 12 years old.
- After your child reaches 12, your access will become limited in accordance with New Hampshire law (NH RSA 318-B:12-a and NH RSA 141-C:18) to protect their privacy. After this age, you will be able to view historical information only and will not have access to new or ongoing health details.

Please feel free to contact us at 603-537-1300 with any questions or if you need assistance with accessing forms or information. We are here to support you and ensure your child receives the best care possible.