Limiting Hospital Visitations During COVID Not in Patients’ Best Interests

Kerry Milner, Sacred Heart University
Suzanne Marmo-Roman, Sacred Heart University
Shannon Lane, Yeshiva University

Here we go again...COVID-19 community transmission rates are high, and health care systems in our areas and across the country are responding with policies designed to protect health care workers and patients. The current trend of “no visitor” policies in health care settings is bad for the well-being of patients, health care workers, and patients’ family members. Rather than limit hospital visitation, we believe hospitals should facilitate safe visitation.

Each of us has professional and personal experiences that highlight the importance of patients being able to see family members.