

In summary

- Mobile phones and personal devices must be two metres from all cardiac equipment.
- We encourage phones to be put on silent.
- Be respectful of those around you and caring for you.
- No filming, photography or recording whilst in the Emergency Department and Emergency Short Stay Unit.
- All of the above ensures every patient has their privacy respected.

The recording of images and/or sound, using recording devices such as mobile phones, cameras and personal devices is prohibited within the Emergency Department and Emergency Short Stay Unit.

About Calvary

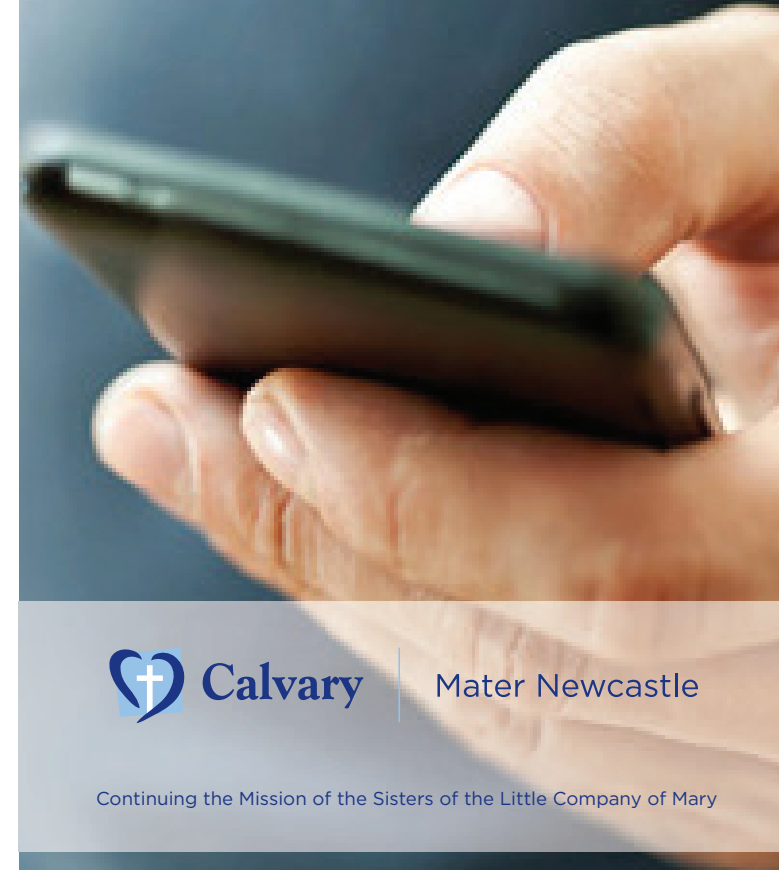
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Mobile Phones and Privacy in the Emergency Department



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Calvary Mater Newcastle is a public hospital within the Hunter New England Local Health District network.

We take your privacy seriously

- It is a patient's right to have their information and privacy protected. Mobile phone and personal device users should take into account a patient's need for privacy.
- You have the right to be treated with respect and we ask that you show this courtesy to others.

- We ask that you and your family follow our Policy regarding limitations on the use of mobile phones and personal devices around medical equipment. This requires mobile phones and personal devices to be at least two metres away from cardiac monitors (Policy Number HNELHD PD2015_049).
- It is an offence to take a photo or footage of someone without their consent or knowledge.

- Mobile phones and personal devices can not be used in certain parts of the Emergency Department and Emergency Short Stay Unit (e.g. resuscitation and cardiac areas).
- We encourage patients and family members whilst in the Emergency Department and Emergency Short Stay Unit to speak softly and ask that all devices be on silent to ensure that they do not present a noise problem.
- Doctors and nurses carrying out their rounds, should not have to wait for patients to finish their calls.
- Other patients should not be disturbed by the noises associated with text messages.
- Do not use your phone on speaker.
- By keeping ringing phones and loud conversations to a minimum, we will reduce stress in an already busy environment.