UW Medicine

Birth and Labor Photos, Videos, and Audio Recordings

Hospital guidelines

Do you plan to record your baby's birth?

If you want to record your baby's birth, here are a few things you need to know:

- Photos, videos, and audio recordings provide lasting memories of special family events.
- Our staff share your excitement as you prepare to welcome your baby. We support you recording your birth event, but with some limits.

Staff Privacy

- Our staff's privacy is very important to us. Now that there are so many easy ways to share information online (such as YouTube, Facebook, and photosharing sites such as Flickr), you could easily compromise someone's privacy without knowing it.
- Our staff work to protect your right to privacy. Please help protect ours.



Please ask each staff person for their permission before taking their photo, recording their voice, or including them in a video of your baby's birth.

Photo and Recording Privacy Policy

You, your family, and other visitors may not photograph or audio or video record any hospital staff member without first getting their permission.

Recording staff without their permission is against our hospital policy.

All staff have the right to:

- Refuse to be photographed or recorded. They can set limits without explaining why.
- Ask you to destroy any photograph or recording made without their permission.

Please respect the privacy wishes of our staff.

The Safest Care for You and Your Baby

Providing you and your baby the safest possible care is our main goal. Sometimes, taking photos or recording during a birth or resuscitation may interfere with safe care. Staff members may ask you to stop recording at any time.

We are happy to be involved with your care, and we look forward to working with you. Thank you for sharing this special moment with us!



We are partners in your care. Help us protect each other's privacy!

Questions?

Your questions are important. If you have questions about photographing or recording your baby's birth, call your healthcare provider.