

Smoke Free Premises Policy

Mount St. Mary Hospital endeavours to promote the health and safety of residents, employees, volunteers and visitors by implementing measures including minimizing exposure to second-hand smoke.

This policy's purpose is to ensure resident safety and to protect individuals from the effects on their health through exposure to second-hand smoke while at MSMH.

This policy is in keeping with the Tobacco and vapour Products Control Act, the Capital regional District By-Law 3962, the Island health Smoke Free Premises policy and WorkSafe BC Occupational Health and Safety Regulations.

- Smoking is not permitted anywhere on the Mount St. Mary property including the gardens, parkade, outside parking areas, stairwells, footpaths and driveways.
- This policy applies to all persons accessing the facility and/or premises, including residents, employees, physicians, volunteers, visitors, contractors, students, employees of educational institutions in partnership with us, and any other persons using the facility and/or premises.
- This policy includes all tobacco, cannabis, e-cigarette and vapour products.
- Residents who smoke are assessed by their Clinical Care Team as to their ability to smoke safely independently.
- Resident who smoke are required to do so independently, or with a visitor or personal companion, off the property.