ELECTIVE INDUCTION WAITLISTS

Thank you for your interest in being added to one of our elective induction waitlists. Given increased patient demand for elective inductions, we have not been able to accommodate all requests for induction with our currently available scheduled induction slots. We have, therefore, developed two different elective induction waitlists in hopes of better meeting the needs of our patients who desire elective induction. We hope this letter will help you understand the two available waitlists for patients who would like an elective induction and were not able to be scheduled in one of the existing induction slots.

If you and your provider have decided elective induction is a good option for you, your provider will call labor and delivery when you have reached your **37th week of pregnancy** to see if there are any elective induction slots available. If there are no available induction slots, then you can opt to be added to a waitlist. Your position on the waitlist will be activated when you reach **39 weeks' gestation (1 week before your due date).** Each day and night the nursing staff will evaluate if there is an opportunity to bring in patients for elective inductions based on available rooms and L&D nurses to care for you. They will then look to the waitlist and start inviting patients in. This phone call may come anytime day or night. When you receive a call to come in for your induction, you will need to arrive at the hospital **within 2 hours.** We understand that this call may not come at a good time for you. In those cases, you will have the option to pass on that timing but stay on the waitlist when another opportunity to come in for induction is available.

If you are not interested in being available when L&D staff call you unexpectedly, you can elect to be placed on a waitlist that is only for scheduled induction slots. In this case, we will contact you during daytime hours when a scheduled induction slot opens up. This typically happens when patients who were previously scheduled are delivered prior to their induction date.

Once you have joined one or both of these waitlists, please be assured that we have your information, and will get you in as quickly as possible. Please refrain from calling L&D for updates. Our goal with this program is to safely take care of all of our patients and give you an exceptional patient experience.

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