

## **Patient Bill of Rights**

This Facility adopts and affirms as policy the following rights of patient/clients who receive services from our facility.

This policy affords you, the patient/client, the right to:

- Treatment without discrimination as to age, race, color, religion, sex, national origin, political belief, or handicap. It is our intention to treat each patient as a unique individual in a manner that recognizes their basic human rights.
- Considerate and respectful care including consideration of psychosocial, spiritual, and cultural variables that influence the perceptions of illness.
- Receive, upon request, the names of the therapist directly participating in your care and of all personnel participating in your care.
- Obtain from the person responsible for your health care complete and current information concerning your diagnosis, treatment, and expected outlook in terms you can be reasonably expected to understand. When it is not medically advisable to give such information to you, the information shall be made available to an appropriate person in your behalf.
- Receive information necessary to give informed consent prior to the start of any treatment, except for emergency situations. This information shall include as a minimum an explanation of the specific procedure or treatment itself, and an explanation of other appropriate treatment methods, if any.
- The patient may elect to refuse treatment. In this event, the patient must be informed of the medical consequences of this action. In the case of a patient who is mentally incapable of making a rational decision, approval will be obtained from the guardian, next-of-kin, or other person legally entitled to give such approval. The facility will make every effort to inform the patient of alternative facilities for treatment if we are unable to provide the necessary treatment.
- Privacy to the extent consistent with adequate medical care. Case discussions, consultation, examination and treatment are confidential and should be conducted discreetly.
- Privacy and confidentiality of all records pertaining to your treatment, except as otherwise provided by law or third party payment contract.
- A reasonable response to your request for services customarily rendered by the facility, and consistent with your treatment.
- Expect reasonable continuity of care and to be informed, by the person responsible for your health care, of possible continuing health care requirements following discharge, if any.
- The identity, upon request, of all health care personnel and health care institutions authorized to assist in your treatment.
- Upon patient request, examine and receive a detailed explanation of your bill including an itemized bill for services received, regardless of sources of payment.
- Know the facility's rules and regulations that apply to your conduct as a patient.
- Any unanswered concerns on the part of patients or family relative to ethical issues can, with sufficient notice, be referred to our Compliance Committee for advice.
- Complaint or criticisms will not serve to compromise future access to care at this facility. Staff will gladly advise
  you of procedures for registering complaints.
- Access and copy information in the medical record at any time during or after the course of treatment. If patient is incompetent, the record will be made available to his/her guardian.
- Expect to be cared for in a safe setting regarding patient environmental safety, infection control, security and freedom from abuse or harassment.
- Participate in the development, implementation and revision of his/her care plan.

Signature:	Date:	