

Summary of Patients Rights

- The patient has the right to be treated with respect, consideration and dignity.
- The patient has the right to privacy and to expect all information to be treated confidentially.
- The patient is given the opportunity to approve or refuse the release of any information maintained by Health Services, except as may be required by law.
- The patient is provided, to the degree known, complete information concerning a diagnosis, evaluation, treatment, and prognosis. When it is medically inadvisable to give such information to a patient, it is provided to a person designated by the patient or a legally authorized person.
- The patient is given the opportunity to participate in decisions involving their health care, except when such participation is contraindicated for medical reasons.
- The patient has the right to consent or decline to participate in proposed research studies or human experimentation or to have those studies fully explained before they consent.
- Information is made available to patients upon request concerning patient conduct, responsibilities, services available, provisions for after-hours and emergency care, and fees for services.