

HERNDON SURGERY CENTER

THE PATIENT BILL OF RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

A patient shall have the right to:

1. Treatment without regard to race, sex, age, national origin or cultural, economic or religious background or the source of payment of his care.
2. Considerate and respectful care.
3. The knowledge of the name of the surgeon who has primary responsibility for coordinating his care and the names and professional relationships of other practitioners who will see him.
4. Receive information from his surgeon about his illness, his course of treatment and his prospects for recovery in terms he can understand. When it is medically inadvisable to give such information to a patient, the information is provided to a person designated by the patient or to a legally authorized person.
5. Receive the necessary information about any proposed treatment or procedure in order to give informed consent or to refuse this course of treatment. Except in emergencies, this information shall include a description of all the procedure(s) or treatment(s) the medically significant risk(s) involved in this treatment, an alternate course of treatment or non-treatment and the risk(s) involved in each, and the name of the person who would carry out the treatment(s) or procedure(s).
6. Participate actively in decision making regarding his medical care, to the extent that is permitted by law.
7. Refuse treatment.
8. Full consideration of privacy concerning his medical care program. Case discussion, consultation, examination and treatment are confidential and shall be conducted discreetly. The patient has the right to be advised as to the reason for the presence of any individual.
9. Confidential treatment of all communications and records pertaining to his care. His written permission shall be obtained before his medical records are made available to anyone not concerned with his care.
10. Reasonable responses to any reasonable request he makes for services.
11. Reasonable continuity of care and to know in advance the time and location of appointment(s), as well as, the practitioner providing the care.
12. Be advised if the surgeon proposes to engage in or perform human experimentation affecting his care or treatment. The patient has the right to refuse to participate in such research projects.
13. Be informed by his surgeon, or designee, or his continuing health care requirements.
14. Examine and receive an explanation of his bill regardless of the source of payment.
15. Have all patients' rights explained to the person who has legal responsibility to make decisions regarding medical care on behalf of the patient.
16. Express any grievances or suggestions verbally or in writing.
17. Have in effect advanced medical directives concerning such issues as living wills and durable powers of attorney that

You are responsible for:

1. Providing information to the best of your knowledge, accurate and complete about complaints, past illness, treatment, medications reports of pain and other matters related to health.
2. Asking questions when you do not understand what you have been told about your care or what to expect to do.
3. Following instructions
4. Accepting consequences for the outcomes of care and conduct
5. Following rules and regulations
6. Showing respect and consideration for facilities personnel and property
7. Meeting financial commitments agreed with the facility
8. Provide a responsible adult to take you home and stay with you for 24 hours post surgical intervention