Patient Rights and Responsibilities

You may request a booklet of these rights.

We know that seeing your health care needs requires trusting between you and the people caring for you. The Sanford rights statement is your guide to your rights, responsibilities, and needs. Keeping them will help you make the best choices about your care. Some may be new to you in a language you've heard before. It is not an end to make choices for your legal responsibility may be to do on your behalf. You have the right to be treated with courtesy

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As you are a Sanford patient, you can expect:

• Know of any professional relationship that may exist between:
  •  Staff who will listen and respond to your reports of pain.
  •  Other rights included in this document and may vary based on state and federal law.
  •  Public health concerns
  •  Suspected abuse and neglect
  •  Harm after a crime

As health care providers, we are legally required to report information to state and federal agencies that may lead to Sanford giving care in a manner that is no longer in line with your wishes.

You have the right to:

•  Give correct and complete information about your:

You have the right to:

•  Refuse services.

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You have the right to:

•  Choose your provider.

You have the right to:

•  Make sure you understand each document that you are asked to sign.

You have the right to:

•  Ask for the right care.

You have the right to:

•  Be told of the services that are included in your daily room charge. This information will be available before you are admitted and/or during your stay.

You have the right to:

•  Have your spiritual and/or cultural needs met. If these needs may impact your care, you will need to tell your doctor and/or the staff taking care of you.

You have the right to:

•  Tell your doctor about your:

You have the right to:

•  Close your door for privacy.

You have the right to:

•  Exercise all civil rights, including the right to habeas corpus

You have the right to:

•  Have a person of your same sex in the room with you during certain parts of an

You have the right to:

•  Be told of your diagnosis and proposed treatment in terms and language that

Your diagnosis and proposed treatment will be explained to you in terms and language that you would understand if you were able to choose for yourself, your legal responsibility may be to do on your behalf.

You have the right to:

•  Be treated with the same respect and value that you would

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You have the right to:

•  Have opportunities for outdoor physical activity unless not allowed by specialty units, or if

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You have the right to:

•  Use your T.V., radio, and phones as you need, but quietly.

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You are responsible for the decisions you make about your care. We encourage you to gather information and make your decisions. You may not always agree with the advice you receive.

You may be treated without consent if:

•  Under the age of 18

•  Unconscious

•  Too ill to give informed consent

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You have the right to:

•  Choose someone to receive and analyze your health records. As part of an Advance Directive, a patient may choose someone to receive health care decisions for the patient.

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