

- 12. To exercise civil and religious liberties, including the right to independent personal decisions. No religious beliefs or practices, or any attendance at religious services, shall be imposed upon any patient;
- 13. To not be discriminated against because of age, race, religion, sex, nationality, or ability to pay, or deprived of any constitutional, civil, and/or legal rights solely because of receiving services from the facility; and
- 14. To expect and receive appropriate assessment, management and treatment of pain as an integral component of that person's care in accordance with N.J.A.C. 8:43 E-6
- 15. The facility must comply with the following requirements:

(i) Provide the patient or, as appropriate, the patient's representative in advance of the date of the procedure, with information concerning its policies on advance directives, including a description of applicable State health and safety laws and, if requested, official State advance directive forms.

(ii) Inform the patient or, as appropriate, the patient's representative of the patient's right to make informed decisions regarding the patient's care.

(iii) Document in a prominent part of the patient's current medical record, whether or not the individual has executed an advance directive.

16. The facility must also disclose, where applicable, physician financial interests or ownership in the facility in accordance with the intent of Part 420 of this subchapter. Disclosure of information must be in writing and furnished to the patient in advance of the date of the procedure.

17. The facility must provide the patient or the patient's representative with verbal and written notice of the patient's rights in advance of the date of the procedure, in a language and manner that the patient or the patient's representative understands.

18. Complaints may be reported to: Julie Weck; 732-242-4000 or the NJ Department of Health and Senior Services at their complaint hotline (800) 792-9770 and on line at www.doh.state.nj.us/fc; or with the Office of the Medicare Beneficiary Ombudsman at www.medicare.gov/ombudsman.

PATIENT'S RESPONSIBILITIES

In order to provide you, the patient, with the optimal quality of care, we ask that you comply with the following responsibilities:

- 1. You, of your family, will provide information about past illnesses, hospitalization, medication and other matters relating to your health history.
- 2. You will cooperate and follow the care to prescribed or recommended for you by your physician nurses, or allied health personnel.
- 3. You will notify your physician or nurse if you do not understand your diagnosis, treatment or prognosis.
- 4. You will advise your nurse, physician, or nurse manager of any dissatisfaction you may have regarding your care at the facility.
- 5. You will assume financial responsibility for services rendered, either through third party payers (your insurance company) or through self-payment for services not covered by your insurance company.
- 6. You will not take drugs which have not been prescribed by your attending physician and administered by the staff; and you will not complicate or endanger the healing process by consuming alcoholic beverages or toxic substances during your stay.
- 7. You will abide by the facility rules and regulations and be considerate of the rights of other patients and facility personnel.
- 8. You will be courteous to the treating staff.