

Sleep Smart **Patient's Bill of Rights**

Sleep Smart shall ensure that the patient is informed of their rights and that the staff of this facility will endeavor to perform their duties in a manner to ensure that all patients maintain these rights. The medical staff and employees of this facility shall encourage and assist the patient to exercise these rights.

Any guardian or agent of the patient may seek enforcement of these patient rights on behalf of the patient to the extent of the law.

1. The patient has the right to considerate and respectful care given by competent personnel.
2. A patient has the right, upon request, to be given the name and functions of other persons having direct contact with the patient.
3. A patient has the right to consideration of privacy concerning his own healthcare program. Case discussion, consultation, and examination are considered confidential and shall be conducted discreetly.
4. A patient has the right to have records pertaining to his/her care treated as confidential except as otherwise provided by law.
5. The patient has the right to expect emergency procedures to be implemented without unnecessary delays.
6. The patient has the right to full information in layman's terms, concerning diagnosis, treatment and prognosis, including information about alternative treatments and possible complications.
7. A patient or, if the patient is unable to give informed consent, a responsible person, has the right to be advised when the practitioner is considering the patient as part of a medical care research program or donor program, and the patient or responsible person, shall give informed consent prior to actual participation in the program. A patient, or responsible person, may refuse to continue in a program to which he has previously given informed consent.
8. A patient has the right to refuse drugs or procedures, to the extent permitted by statute, and a practitioner shall inform the patient of the medical consequences of the patient's refusal of drugs or procedures.
9. A patient has the right to services without discrimination based on age, race, color, religion, national origin, handicap, disability or source of payment.
10. The patient who does not speak English, or has other disabilities concerning hearing or speech, shall have access, where possible, to an interpreter.
11. Sleep Smart shall provide the patient, or patient designee, upon written request, access to the information contained in his/her medical record and according to Federal and State HIPAA regulations.
12. The patient has the right to receive a detailed explanation of his/her bill.
13. A patient has the right to have an advanced directive (such as a living will, healthcare proxy, or durable power of attorney for healthcare) concerning treatment or designating a surrogate decision maker with the intent of that directive to the extent permitted by law. However, due to the nature of care provided at Sleep Smart, advanced directives cannot be honored. If a copy of the advanced directive is available at the facility and the patient's health status requires transfer to a hospital a copy of the advanced directive will be sent with the patient.

Patient or Patient's Guardian Signature

Date

Witness Signature

Date