

Patient Rights and Patient Responsibilities

Dental Patient Bill of Rights:

- ★ *You have a right*
To quality dental care provided in a safe and effective manner
- ★ *You have a right*
To expect dental team members to use appropriate infection control and sterilization methods.
- ★ *You have a right*
To know the education and training of your dentist and the dental team.
- ★ *You have a right*
To ask your dentist to explain all treatment options regardless of coverage or cost.
- ★ *You have a right*
To ask about treatment alternatives, including advantages and disadvantages.
- ★ *You have a right*
To schedule an appointment with your dentist in a timely manner.
- ★ *You have a right*
To reasonable arrangements for dental care and emergency treatment.
- ★ *You have a right*
To know in advance the expected cost of your dental treatment.

Dental Patient Responsibilities:

- ★ *You have the responsibility*
To provide, to the best of your ability, accurate, honest and complete information about your medical and dental history and current health status.
- ★ *You have the responsibility*
To understand and sign an informed consent.
- ★ *You have the responsibility*
To understand the necessity and importance of diagnostic procedures recommended by your dentist.
- ★ *You have the responsibility*
To adhere to regular oral health home care recommendations.
- ★ *You have the responsibility*
For consequences resulting from declining treatment or from not following the agreed upon treatment plan.
- ★ *You have the responsibility*
For appropriate behavior allowing for the delivery of quality dental care.
- ★ *You have the responsibility*
For maintaining appointments in a regular and timely manner
- ★ *You have the responsibility*
To assure that your financial obligations for dental care received are fulfilled.