



Patient Rights and Responsibilities

A patient's rights will include:

- (a) Patients will be treated with respect, consideration, and dignity and be free from all forms of abuse or harassment. Patients may exercise rights without being subjected to discrimination or reprisal.
- (b) Patients will receive care in a safe setting and will be provided appropriate privacy.
- (c) Patient disclosures and records are treated confidentially, and patients are given the opportunity to approve or refuse their release, except when release is required by law.
- (d) Patients will be provided, to the degree known, appropriate information concerning their diagnosis, treatment, and prognosis. When it is medically inadvisable to give such information to a patient, the information will be provided to a person designated by the patient or to a legally authorized person.
- (e) Patients will be given the opportunity to participate in decisions involving their health care, except when such participation is contraindicated for medical reasons.
- (f) Information will be available to patients and staff concerning:
 - (1) Patient rights, including those specified in subsections (a)-(e) of this section;
 - (2) Patient conduct and responsibilities;
 - (3) Services available at the Ambulatory Surgery Center;
 - (4) Provisions for after-hours and emergency care;
 - (5) Fees for services; Payment policies;
 - (6) Patient's right to refuse to participate in experimental research;
 - (7) Advance Directives, as required by state or federal law and regulations;
 - (8) The credentials of health care professionals;
 - (9) Procedures for expressing suggestions, complaints and grievances, including those required by state and federal regulations.
- (g) Marketing or advertising regarding the competence and/or capabilities of the organization will not be misleading to patients.
- (h) Right to change his/her provider if other qualified providers are available.
- (i) Appropriate information regarding the absence of malpractice insurance coverage.
- (j) As a shareholder of the Austin Diagnostic Clinic, your ADC Physician has a financial interest in the Ambulatory Surgery Center.

A patient will be responsible for:

1. Providing complete and accurate information, to the best of his/her ability, about his/her health, any medications, including over-the-counter products and dietary supplements and any allergies or sensitivities.
2. Following the treatment plan prescribed by his/her provider.
3. Providing a responsible adult to transport him/her home from the facility and remain with him/her for 24 hours, if required by his/her provider.
4. Informing his/her provider about any living will, medical power of attorney, or other directive that could affect his/her care.
5. Accepting personal financial responsibility for any charges not covered by his/her insurance.
6. Respecting all the health care providers and staff, as well as, other patients.