Our Patient's Bill of Rights

As patient and physician, ours is more than a relationship, it's a partnership. To ensure this, we have lived by the following principles:

- A patient has the right to know what his or her condition is and what trouble it is likely to cause.
- A patient has a right to have the condition explained in real terms, not medical terms.
- A patient has the right to know our qualifications and experiences.
- A patient has the right to consult other doctors without us being insulted or angry that the patient wants another opinion.
- A patient has a right to understand our fees.
- We will spend a patient's money wisely as possible. We will look for and recommend the most cost effective way of solving our patient's problems.
- We will not recommend surgery unless the patient needs help that only surgery can provide.
- If a patient feels that we have not provided them with our best efforts, please make this known. We can not guarantee results of treatment, but we can guarantee you our best efforts to treat you honestly and fairly.
- If a patient has financial problems, our office is committed to making arrangements so proper, necessary care is always provided.
- Considerate, respectful care at all times and under all circumstances with recognition of your personal dignity.
- Personal and informational privacy, within the law.
- Confidentiality of records and disclosures. Except when required by law, you have the right to approve or refuse the release of records.
- The opportunity to participate in decisions involving your health care, unless contraindicated by concerns about your health.
- Impartial access to treatment regardless of race, color, sex, national origin, religion, handicap or disability.
- Know the identity and professional status of individuals providing service to you.