

Patient Responsibilities

1. Patients will make every effort to arrive for their appointment on time, and if this is not possible, will notify the office within a reasonable time.
2. Patients must pay careful attention to instructions given them before and after surgery.
3. Patients must follow instructions given to them by the Physician or by his Staff.
4. Patients must follow directions carefully, regarding medication that are prescribed for them by the Physician.
5. Patients must not be abusive with medications that are prescribed for them to relieve their postoperative pain.
6. Patients must take responsibility to report any worry they have about their operation to the Physician immediately.
7. Patients must take responsibility to follow Physician instructions to keep incision/dressings clean and dry and take all medication prescribed to prevent post operative site infection.
8. Patients must not use medication or treatments for their procedures, other than those prescribed, without consulting first with the Physician.
9. Patients must remember that the Physician and his/her Staff are dedicated human beings as well as Professional Staff and should be rated with the same respect with which they would want to be treated.
10. If there are concerns about the operation, Patients should first consult with the Physician or his Staff, before asking for advice from others.
11. Patients must exercise reasonable care of themselves and the area of their operation, remembering that even though things feel comfortable, an operation has been performed, and their activities might cause complications.
12. Patients will cooperate with the Staff in dealings with their insurance companies.
13. Patients will provide for a ride home with a responsible adult after their operation.
14. Patients will provide for a responsible person to be with them for a period of time after their operation, as directed by Staff and the Physician.
15. Patients will comply with suggestions about limiting physical activities after surgery, as directed by Staff and the Physician.
16. As with any service, the care provided by the Physician and Center must be paid for.