



## SUMMARY OF THE FLORIDA PATIENT'S BILL OF RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Florida law requires that your health care provider or health care facility recognize your rights while you are receiving medical care and that you respect the health care provider's or health care facility's right to expect certain behavior on the part of the patients. You may request a copy of the full text of this law from



State of Florida Agency for Health Care Administration  
Phone: 888.419.3456  
Web: <http://www.fdhc.state.fl.us/Index.shtml>  
Mail: Florida Agency for Health Care Administration  
Consumer Services Unit – 4052 Bald Cypress Way  
Bin C-75, Tallahassee, FL 32399-3275

17. A patient is responsible for providing to the health care provider, to the best of his or her knowledge, accurate and complete information about present complaints, past illnesses, hospitalizations, medications, and other matters relating to his or her health.
18. A patient is responsible for reporting unexpected changes in his or her condition to the health care provider.
19. A patient is responsible for reporting to the health care provider whether he or she comprehends a contemplated course of action and what is expected of him or her.
20. A patient is responsible for following the treatment plan recommended by the health care provider.
21. A patient is responsible for keeping appointments and, when he or she is unable to do so for any reason, for notifying the health care provider or health care facility.
22. A patient is responsible for his or her actions if he or she refuses treatment or does not follow the health care provider's instructions.
23. A patient is responsible for assuring that the financial obligations of his or her health care are fulfilled as promptly as possible.
24. A patient is responsible for following health care facility rules and regulations affecting patient care and conduct.