



Patient's Rights

Texas Pediatric Surgery Center has a policy that was developed to express our concern for the personal dignity and human relationships that are of such great importance to the patients who receive care at our surgery center. This statement does not presume to include everything. It is intended to convey Texas Pediatric Surgery Center concerns about the relationships between our employees and our patients and to emphasize the need for the rights and responsibilities of patients.

Patients have the right to:

- A. Impartial access to treatment or accommodations that are available or medically indicated, regardless, of race, creed, sex, national origin, or sources of payment for care.
- B. Considerate, respectful care at all times and under all circumstances, with recognition of personal dignity.
- C. Within the law, personal and informational privacy, as manifested by the following rights:
 - 1. Refuse to talk with or see anyone not officially connected with the surgery center.
 - 2. Wear appropriate clothing and religious or other symbolic items, as long as they do not interfere with diagnostic procedure or treatment.
 - 3. Be interviewed and examined in privacy, which includes having a person of one's own sex present when being examined by a person of the opposite sex and spending the minimum amount of time described.
 - 4. Expect that any discussion or consultation involving the case will be conducted discreetly and that only individuals directly involved in the patient's care will be present.
 - 5. Have his/her medical record read only by individuals directly involved in patient treatment or in the monitoring of its quality. Other individuals can only read the medical record or written patient authorization or that of legally authorized representative.
 - 6. Be placed in protective privacy when considered necessary for personal safety.
- D. Expect reasonable safety insofar as the surgery center practices and environment are concerned.