



## **Patient's Bill of Rights & Responsibilities**

**As a patient of Caring Cardiology Medical Group you have the right to:**

**Exercise these rights without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, cultural, economic or educational background, or the source of payment for your care.**

To know the name of the physician who has primary responsibility for your cardiac condition and the names and professional relationships of the other physicians who will care for you.

To receive information about the illness, course of treatment, and prospects for recovery in terms that you can understand.

To obtain respectful and considerate care.

To receive reasonable responses to any reasonable requests for service.

To receive as much information about any proposed treatment or procedure as you may need in order to give an informed consent, or to refuse this course of treatment. Except in emergencies this information shall include a description of the procedure or treatment, the medically significant risks involved in this treatment, alternate courses or treatment or non-treatment and the risks involved in each, and to know the name of the person who will carry out the procedure or treatment.

Participate actively in decisions regarding medical care to the extent permitted by law, which includes the right to refuse treatment.

Leave the facility, even against the advice of your physician.

Full consideration of privacy concerning the medical care program. Case discussion, consultation, examination, and treatment are confidential and should be conducted discreetly. You have the right to be advised as to the reason for the presence of any individual.

Confidential treatment of all communications and records pertaining to your care. Written permission from you or your authorized representative shall be obtained before the medical records can be made available to any person not directly concerned with your care.

Reasonable continuity of care and to know in advance, the time and location of appointments, as well as the physician providing care.

Be advised if a physician proposes to engage in or include you as a clinical research subject, you have the right to refuse to participate in such research projects.

Be informed of continuing health care requirements following discharge from inpatient or outpatient facilities.

Examine and receive an explanation of any bills for non-covered care, regardless of source of payment.

Depending on your health insurance, know which rules and policies apply to your contract while you are a patient under their care.

Accept the fiscal responsibility associated with services received while a patient at our office.

Have rights extended to any person who may have legal responsibility to make decisions regarding medical care on your behalf.

File a grievance without discrimination.

Adhere to behavior which is reasonable supportive of therapeutic goals and professional supervision as specified.

Behave in a manner, which is supportive of the care provided to other patients.