

PATIENT'S RIGHTS

- You have the right to all medical services provided by the Winnebago Comprehensive Health Care Facility when you need them.
- The Winnebago Health Care Facility will provide evaluation and diagnosis of your general health condition.
- The Winnebago Health Care Facility will provide treatment and procedures to prevent, control or cure illnesses.

Non-beneficiary, you will be eligible for emergency care only.

PATIENT'S RIGHT FOR SERVICES

- The patient has the right to appropriate assessment and management of pain.
- The Winnebago Comprehensive Health Care Facility will submit referrals for other doctors or facilities to Contract Health Services for approval when we cannot provide the services you need.
- A patient will be transferred only if it is medically required. The patient, family or legal guardian must give permission for the transfer.
- The facility to which the patient is transferred must accept the patient before the transfer.
- A patient will be informed of all alternatives before giving permission for the transfer.
- Your doctor or healthcare provider at the Winnebago Comprehensive Health Care Facility will communicate with your new doctor or facility so we keep up with your condition.
- In the case of a dying or terminally ill patient Winnebago Comprehensive Health Care Facility will work with family and hospice programs, always taking into consideration the way a patient was raised, their spiritual beliefs, and cultural beliefs that influence the patient's view of dying as we provide their health care.

PATIENT RESPONSIBILITIES

- You have, the responsibility to give correct information regarding your illness and past illness. Anything you can remember about your illness and past illnesses will be helpful to the doctor or healthcare provider.
- You have responsibility to give information about any prescribed or native medication you are taking.
- You have the responsibility to give information about the other times you have been seen at the hospital.
- You have the responsibility to follow your doctor's or other healthcare provider's instructions concerning your healthcare.
- You are responsible for the outcomes of your actions if you do not follow instructions from your doctor and healthcare providers.
- You have the responsibility to be considerate of other patients and the hospital staff by keeping down the noise you and your visitors may create.
- You have the responsibility to respect the property of others. Destruction or removal of hospital property may result in legal prosecution.
- Verbal or physical disturbances between patients/staff and their visitors are not allowed because it interferes with the work of the hospital staff and upsets other patients. Offenders will be removed and not allowed to return until the problem is worked out.
- The Winnebago Comprehensive Health Care Facility is not responsible for personal items brought to the hospital by the patient. You should leave all valuable items at home.
- You are responsible for arranging transportation to and from the Winnebago Comprehensive Health Care Facility or other facilities to which you were referred. If this is not possible please tell us.
- You and your visitors have the responsibility to obey the "*No Smoking Policy*" and "*Visiting Hour Policy*".

PATIENTS RIGHT TO KNOW

- You have the right to know what appointment times are available to you.
- You have the right to know which doctors are available to you.
- You will be informed of any future treatments or procedures you should have done after you are discharged from the hospital.
- You will be informed of things you should do to take care of yourself after being discharged from the hospital.
- You have the right to know if there are no cures or treatments for your illness and to be made as comfortable as possible during their illness.
- The patient has the right to know of any research facilities that may be able to help them.
- You have the right to know if treatment or procedures are new or experimental and you may refuse to have these treatments or procedures.
- The patient has a right to know how body tissue is disposed of.
- You have the right to know about any organ donation or organ receiving programs available to you.

MINOR CHILD

- The legal definition of a Minor Child-An infant or person under the age of legal competence. The State of Nebraska designates 19 as legal age of consent.
- In a true emergency, consent to treatment is implied. The physician on duty in the Emergency department is obligated to perform any measures that may be necessary to prevent death, preserve life or prevent permanent bodily harm to unaccompanied minor who presents in the Emergency Department.

PARENTAL CONSENT

- If a child presents to the Facility without the Parent or Legal Guardian and the situation is not an emergency, the child will not be seen without the written consent of the Parent. This is the law and the facility must be in compliance with all regulatory requirements.
- If the parent signs the consent form provided by Winnebago Comprehensive Health Care Facility and the child is escorted by a relative or other adult over the age of 19 at the time of the visit the child may be seen.

