



## **Advocare Patient's Bill of Rights**

As an Advocare patient, you have the right:

1. To courtesy, respect, dignity, and timely, responsive attention to your needs.
2. To receive information from your physician and to have the opportunity to discuss the benefits, risks and costs of appropriate treatment alternatives. You should expect your physician to provide guidance about what he/she considers to be the optimal course of action for you based on his/her objective professional judgment.
3. To ask questions about your health status or recommended treatment when you do not fully understand what you have been told and to have your questions answered.
4. To make decisions about the care the physician recommends and to have those decisions respected, including your refusal of any recommended medical intervention.
5. To have your physician and other staff respect your privacy and confidentiality.
6. To obtain copies or summaries of your medical records.
7. To obtain a second opinion.
8. To be advised of any conflicts of interest your physician may have with respect to your care.
9. To continuity of care. You should expect that your physician will cooperate in coordinating medically indicated care with other health care professionals, and that your physician will not discontinue treating you when further treatment is medically indicated without giving you sufficient notice and reasonable assistance in making alternative arrangements for care.