

Patient responsibilities

The following is a list of some of the primary responsibilities of patients while in Adventist Health Sonora. The staff will provide information, encouragement, and assistance when applicable in helping patients fulfill their responsibilities.

The patient is responsible for the following:

1. Providing, to the best of his/her knowledge, accurate and complete information about present complaints, past illnesses and hospitalizations, medications, and other matters relating to his/her health.
2. Reporting unexpected changes in his/her condition to the responsible practitioner.
3. Making it known whether he/she clearly comprehends a contemplated course of action and what is expected of him/her.
4. Following both the treatment plan recommended by the practitioner primarily responsible for his/her care and the organization's rules and regulations affecting patient care and conduct. This responsibility includes following the instruction of nurses and other health care professionals as they carry out the plan of care and implement the responsible practitioner's orders and as they enforce the applicable organization rules and regulations.
5. Understanding the consequences if treatment is refused or if the practitioner's instructions are not followed.
6. Being considerate of the rights of other patients and organization personnel and responsible for his/her behavior in the control of noise, smoking, and number of visitors.
7. Being respectful of the property of others and the organization.
8. Assuring that the financial obligations for his/her health care are fulfilled as promptly as possible.
9. Following hospital rules and regulations affecting patient care and conduct.
10. Being considerate of the rights of other patients and organization personnel when choosing to take pictures or video of patient care.