

Patient Rights and Responsibilities

Kidspiration Pediatric Therapy Services, Inc

Kidspiration Pediatric Therapy Services Too Inc shall operate at all times to safeguard the legal, civil, and human rights of the patient.

Definitions:

“Patient” refers to the individual to be or being evaluated or treated by the staff of the Kidspiration Pediatric Therapy Services, Inc.

“Patient representative” refers to the person or persons who in the proper exercise of their legal authority authorize the evaluation or treatment of the patient. The patient can be the patient representative in appropriate situations where the patient is of sufficient age and comprehension to understand the substance of the matters hereinafter set out in connection with rights and responsibilities of the patient. Generally, the parent or guardian of the child being evaluated or treated will be the patient representative.

RIGHTS:

1. The patient has a right to considerate and respectful care without regard to sex, race, cultural, economic, educational or religious background.
2. The patient representative has the right to know the name of the physician who has responsibility for coordinating the patient’s evaluation or treatment and the names and professional relationships of others who will see the patient.
3. The patient representative has the right to receive information from the patient’s physician about his diagnosis, the course of treatment for programming recommended, and the prospects for improvement in terms that the patient representative can understand.
4. The patient representative has the right to receive as much information about any proposed treatment or procedure as the representative may need in order to give consent or to refuse this course of treatment. Except in emergencies, this information should include a description of the procedure or treatment, the medically significant risks involved in this treatment, alternate courses of treatment or non-treatment and the risks involved in each. The patient representative also has the right to know the name of the person who will carry out the procedure or treatment.
5. The patient representative has the right to participate actively in decisions regarding the patient’s medical care. This includes the right to refuse treatment and to be informed of the medical consequences of failure to undergo the treatment. Any refusal must be in writing over the representative’s signature.

6. The patient has the right to privacy in his medical care and treatment program. Case discussion consultation, examination, and treatment are confidential and should be conducted discreetly. The patient representative has the right to be advised as to the reason for the presence of any individuals not directly involved with the patient's care.
7. The patient has the right to confidential treatment of all communications and records pertaining to his care in the Clinic and Program. The patient representative must provide written permission before medical records can be made available to anyone not directly concerned with patient's care. Individuals representing the third party payment source billed for the patient's care will have access to patient records with the permission of the patient representative. This consent is a part of the consent to treat form.
8. The patient representative has the right to expect that the Clinic and program will make reasonable response to any reasonable request made for service.
9. The patient representative has the right to remove the patient from the Clinic/Program even against the advice of the physician coordinating his evaluation or care.
10. The patient representative has the right to expect to be informed by the physician in charge or a delegate of the patient's continuing health care requirements following the completion of his evaluation or transition from the program.
11. The patient representative has the right to examine the patient's bill for services and receive an explanation of the charges, whether payment is by him, an insurance company, or others.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. The patient representative has the responsibility to provide, to the best of his knowledge, accurate and complete information about present complaints, past illnesses, hospitalizations, medications, and other matters relating to the patient's health and development.
2. The patient representative has the responsibility to be considerate of other patients and patient representatives.
3. The patient representative is responsible for following the treatment plan recommended by the practitioner for the patient's care. This may include following the instructions of the nursing and allied health personnel as they carry out the coordinated plan of care from the physician.