

## **PATIENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

We at Total Health Care, Inc. pledge to give you the very best health care possible. We will treat you with respect and will always honor your right as a patient.

## As a patient, you have the right to:

- 1. Access to treatment regardless of your cultural, social, spiritual and personal values and beliefs
- 2. Be treated with respect and dignity in a safe and private setting
- 3. Privacy of your health records
- 4. Ask for help with a living will or durable power of attorney for health care
- 5. Take part in your health care and treatment
- 6. Know the names of the people caring for you
- 7. Get another opinion about your illness or treatment
- 8. Refuse treatment, care and services as allowed by law
- 9. Change medical providers at Total Health Care, Inc.
- 10. Know about services available through Total Health Care, Inc.
- 11. Know about legal reporting requirements
- 12. Access to an interpreter at no cost
- 13. Ask for special arrangements if you have a disability
- 14. Be informed about your illness and treatment, including options for your care
- 15. Refuse to be included in any research program without limiting medical care or treatment
- 16. Know the cost of your care and ways you may pay for your care
- 17. Talk with the clinic manager about any questions or problems with your care

## As a patient, you have the responsibility to:

- 1. Tell your provider about your illness or problems and ask questions about your illness or care
- 2. Follow the treatment plan and inform your provider if your condition changes
- 3. Call the emergency number when possible before going to the emergency room
- 4. Keep your appointment and be on time. Cancel or reschedule appointments 24 hours in advance
- 5. Provide information about insurance coverage; income documentation; changes in phone number or address; and pay your bills as soon as possible
- 6. Give written permission to release your other health records to Total Health Care, Inc. when necessary
- 7. Show respect to both care givers and other patients
- 8. Follow Total Health Care, Inc. rules and regulations affecting patient care and conduct