Your Rights and Responsibilities

We encourage patients to be partners in their healthcare. It is important that you understand your rights and responsibilities. Your **RIGHTS** explain how you should expect to be treated. Your RESPONSIBILITIES explain how you can work together with your healthcare team to have the best and safest care possible.

We encourage you to ASK questions, LISTEN to the answers and TALK about any concerns you may have.

	YOUR RIGHTS	YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES
Dignity and Respect	 To be treated with courtesy, dignity and respect 	 Treat all Health PEI workers with courtesy, dignity and respect
Decision Making	 Make your own healthcare decisions Have someone support you if you wish Appoint someone to to act on your behalf Consent to or refuse treatment at any time 	 Make sure you understand your treatment options to make informed decisions Ensure the person making decisions on your behalf knows and understands your wishes
Quality Care	 Receive safe, quality healthcare Be informed of any events that result in harm during your care 	 Be an active, involved, and informed partner in your healthcare
Information	 Know the benefits and risks of any medicine, treatment or decision related to your healthcare A second opinion Refuse participation in any teaching or research program Be included in all aspects of your healthcare 	 Follow the treatment/care plan as agreed to with your healthcare team Share any changes in your health Keep or cancel appointments Have a list of all current medications and share it
Privacy	 Confidentiality Your privacy is honored as much as possible 	 Respect the privacy and confidentiality of others, including patients, families, visitors and healthcare workers
Explanation of Fees	 Be told of any cost for service not covered by PEI's health plan 	 Promptly paying any bills for service charged

