§ 131E-144.3. Declaration of home care clients' rights.

Each client of a home care agency shall have the following rights:

- (1) To be informed and participate in his or her plan of care.
- (2) To be treated with respect, consideration, dignity, and full recognition of his or her individuality and right to privacy.
- (3) To receive care and services that are adequate, appropriate, and in compliance with relevant federal and State laws and rules and regulations.
- (4) To voice grievances about care and not be subjected to discrimination or reprisal for doing so.
- (5) To have his or her personal and medical records kept confidential and not be disclosed except as permitted or required by applicable State or federal law.
- (6) To be free of mental and physical abuse, neglect, and exploitation.
- (7) To receive a written statement of services provided by the agency and the charges the client is liable for paying.
- (8) To be informed of the process for acceptance and continuance of service and eligibility determination.
- (9) To accept or refuse services.
- (10) To be informed of the agency's on-call service.
- (11) To be informed of supervisory accessibility and availability.
- (12) To be advised of the agency's procedures for discharge.
- (13) To receive a reasonable response to his or her requests of the agency.
- (14) To be notified within 10 days when the agency's license has been revoked, suspended, canceled, annulled, withdrawn, recalled, or amended.
- (15) To be advised of the agency's policies regarding patient responsibilities. (2005-276, s. 10.40A(n); 2011-314, s. 6.)

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