**PATIENT'S RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

**KNOW YOUR RIGHTS**

To the extent provided by law and within the capacity of this facility, every patient has the right:

1) to be treated with respect, consideration, and dignity regardless of race, creed, gender, national origin, religion, sexual orientation, or ability.

2) to prompt medical treatment in an urgent situation without discrimination on account of economic status or ability to pay at the time of service.

3) to confidentiality of all records and communications to the extent provided by law.

4) to request a medical provider of a particular gender or with a particular treatment approach. To request a chaperone be present during your visit.

5) to privacy during medical care.

6) to clear and concise explanations of his/her condition and of all proposed procedures, including the risks, possible problems, or side effects that may result.

7) to refuse treatment - *unless you are evaluated as likely to harm self, harm others, or gravely disabled then protective measures are taken.*

8) to refuse to participate in research projects or to refuse any care or examination which is primarily educational or informational rather than diagnostic or therapeutic.

9) to request a second opinion from a provider at Pat Walker Health Center staff or from another provider at any time. Any fees assessed for these consultation(s) are the responsibility of the patient.

10) to request to inspect their medical records. These records will be made available according to federal and state law and policies and procedures established by Pat Walker Health Center.

11) to submit to the Health Center Advisory Committee appointed by the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs, grievances and recommendations regarding the policies and procedures followed at Pat Walker Health Center.

12) to receive an explanation of ways to prevent problems from occurring again.

**YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES**

It is the responsibility of each patient:

- to provide, to the best of the individual’s knowledge, accurate information relating to his/her health and personal situation.
- to accept personal responsibility to follow a treatment plan.
- to accept personal responsibility if they refuse treatment.
- to assume financial obligations for services rendered and to provide, if applicable, accurate insurance information.
- to respect the rights of other patients, clients, and health center personnel with whom they may come in contact.
- to adhere to all policies and processes of Pat Walker Health Center.
- to keep scheduled appointments or notify Pat Walker Health Center of cancellation at least two (2) hours in advance.