Patient Rights and Responsibilities

You have the Right to:

- 1. Understand and use these rights. If you need help to understand these rights, the Student Health Center will provide assistance.
- 2. Receive treatment without discrimination as to race, color, religion, national origin, language, sex, age, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, or veteran status.
- 3. Be treated with respect and dignity and to be provided care in a courteous, caring, considerate manner.
- 4. Privacy.
- 5. Be informed about and to understand the diagnosis, treatment, and prognosis of your health problems.
- 6. Discuss treatment options and their effectiveness, possible risks and side effects, and to participate in the health care process.
- 7. Seek or request a second medical opinion.
- 8. Have access to resources for health education regarding wellness/self care and prevention of illness.
- 9. Confidentiality of your medical records and/or condition.
- 10. Refuse treatment and be informed of the medical consequences.
- 11. Refuse to take part in research.
- 12. Know what your financial obligations will be.
- 13. Review your medical records with a physician/medical provider without charge and obtain a copy for which the Student Health Center can charge a reasonable fee.
- 14. Discuss concerns about the care you receive.

You have a Responsibility to:

- 1. Inform your care provider of any changes in your health status that could affect your treatment.
- 2. Follow the prescribed treatment plan and discuss any desired changes.
- 3. Ask questions and get clarification regarding your condition or any suggested treatment.
- 4. Act in a considerate cooperative manner with the RIT Student Health Center staff.
- 5. Assist health care providers to compile a complete medical record by authorizing the Student Health Center to obtain necessary medical information from appropriate sources.
- 6. Be prompt for scheduled appointments.
- 7. Cancel appointments if you are unable to keep them, so that others may use that time slot.



To express any concerns:

Provide feedback on our confidential form using the QR code, the SHC website: **rit.edu/studenthealth/feedback** or through the Wellness Portal.

