

Responsibilities as a Patient

You and Bennett Medical Services are partners in your therapy. To ensure the finest care possible, you must understand your role and responsibilities in that partnership. As a patient of our organization, you are responsible to conduct yourself as follows:

1. To provide complete and accurate information concerning your present health, medication, allergies, etc., when appropriate to your care/service.
2. To inform a staff member of your health history, including past hospitalizations, illness, injuries, etc. as appropriate.
3. To involve yourself, as needed and as able, in developing, carrying out, and modifying your home care service plan, such as properly cleaning and storing your equipment and supplies.
4. To review the organization's safety materials and actively participate in maintaining a safe environment in your home.
5. To request additional assistance or information on any phase of your health care plan you do not fully understand.
6. To notify your attending physician when you feel ill, or encounter any unusual physical or mental stressors or sensations.
7. To notify the organization when you will **not** be home at the time of a scheduled home care visit.
8. To notify the organization prior to changing your place of residence or your telephone number.
9. To notify the organization when encountering any problem with equipment or service.
10. To notify the organization if you are to be hospitalized or if your physician modifies or ceases your home care prescription.
11. To make a conscious effort to properly care for equipment supplied and to comply with all other aspects of the home health care plan developed for you.