

## **Patient Rights and Responsibilities**

It is the policy of Denver Recovery Group not to discriminate or permit discrimination against any person or group of persons receiving treatment on the basis of race, color, religious creed, age, marital status, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, mental retardation or physical disability. All patients at Denver Recovery Group have the following Rights and Responsibilities according to CARF Opioid Treatment Program Standards and the Behavioral Health Treatment Rules. These will be reviewed on admission and then annually by your counselor.

## **Patient Rights:**

To be treated courteously and professionally at all times

To be made aware of your rights regarding confidentiality of your protected health information

To have an individualized treatment plan and to participate in its development

To have policies and procedures necessary to treat your condition explained to me

To be informed about medication given to me and the risks and benefits explained to me

To refuse or discontinue treatment and detoxify from methadone at any time

To be offered a taper off methadone under medical supervision

To be informed of the cost of treatment or services rendered to me

To know the qualifications of all staff members treating you

To file a complaint or grievance without fear of retaliation and to receive a response in a timely manner.

To have access to see in the presence of staff, and get a copy of your records per policy and in time to facilitate any decision-making

To be notified of my rights in a language I understand

To be free from abuse, retaliation, financial exploitation, humiliation, and neglect

To give informed consent or refusal or expression of choice regarding service delivery, release of information, concurrent services, and composition of service delivery team

To have access to or referral to legal entities for appropriate representation, self-help support services and advocacy support services.

To have investigation and resolution of alleged infringement of rights, other legal rights



## **Patient Responsibilities:**

To provide accurate and complete information about your past medical illnesses, hospitalizations, medications and other medical history

To tell staff members if you do not understand your treatment or the clinic expectations

To treat staff courteously and with respect at all times

To refrain from abusive language, disruptive behavior toward patients or staff members

To refrain from all forms of physical violence or abuse toward patients or staff

To refrain from loitering outside clinic

To provide a urine sample upon request, including pregnancy tests, recognizing that you may be observed by a nurse or staff person of the same gender

To dress appropriately and recognize that you may not be dosed if you are not wearing shirt, shoes, pants (not pajama bottoms), appropriate undergarments

To inform your counselor of any new medications you have been prescribed

To inform staff if there is a change in your condition or new problems arise

To inform staff of a change in your drug use

To inform staff of other medical services being received while in treatment

To be courteous and considerate of other patients

To submit any suggestions you have to improve the clinic to your counselor or front desk staff

To pay your fees when they are due

To remain eligible with Medicaid in order for them to pay for your treatment.

I have had my rights reviewed with me on the following dates and understand my rights and responsibilities.