



BON SECOURS RICHMOND HEALTH SYSTEM

Note: A signed Bill of Rights statement must be obtained at the time the informed consent is obtained.

Bill of Rights

The rights below are the rights of every person who is asked to participate in a research study. As a person participating in an experimental study, I have the following rights:

1. To be told that the study involves research, an explanation of the purposes of the research, the expected duration of your participation, a description of the procedures to be followed, and identification of any procedures which are experimental;
2. To be told about any foreseeable risks or discomforts;
3. To be told of any benefits to you or to other subjects which may reasonably be expected from the research;
4. To be told of any appropriate alternative procedures or courses of treatment, if any, that might be advantageous to you;
5. To be told of the extent to which the confidentiality of records that could identify you will be maintained, what information about you will be released and to whom it will be released;
6. To be told whether any compensation and whether any medical treatments are available if injury occurs and, if so, what they consist of, or where further information can be obtained, for research involving more than minimal risk;
7. To be told who to contact for answers to pertinent questions about the research and your research rights and whom to contact in the event of a research-related injury;
8. To be told that participation is voluntary, refusal to participate will involve no penalty or loss of benefits to which you are otherwise entitled, and you may discontinue participation at any time without penalty or loss of benefits to which you are otherwise entitled;
9. To be told that the particular treatment or procedure may involve risks to you which are currently unforeseeable;
10. To be told of anticipated circumstances under which your participation may be terminated by the investigator without regard to your consent;
11. To be told of any additional costs to you that may result from participation in the research;
12. To be told of the consequences of your decision to withdraw from the research and procedures for orderly termination of participation;
13. To be told of significant new findings developed during the course of the research which may relate to your willingness to continue participation;
14. To be told the approximate number of subjects involved in the study;
15. To receive a copy of the signed and dated informed consent form; and
16. To be free of pressure when considering whether you wish to agree to participate in the study.

Signature of Study Subject

Date

Signature of Investigator

Date