

# **SOUTHEASTERN CARDIOVASCULAR CONSULTANTS**

## **Patient's Rights & Responsibilities**

### **PATIENT'S RIGHTS**

- ☐ You have the right to privacy and confidentiality regarding your office visits and rights.
- ☐ You have a right to adequate education and counseling regarding your medical condition.
- ☐ You have the right to have all procedures, risks, benefits and alternatives explained and your questions answered in lay language.
- ☐ You have the right to have medications effectiveness and possible side effects explained to you.
- ☐ You have the right to see results of tests and have the meaning of tests explained.
- ☐ You have the right to participate in decisions made regarding treatments, medications, procedures and surgery.
- ☐ You have the right to refuse treatment to the extent permitted by law and the right to receive information on alternatives and consequences of refused treatment.
- ☐ You have the right to view your medical records and have them explained.
- ☐ You have the right to decide whether or not to participate in clinical research studies.

### **PATIENT'S RESPONSIBILITIES**

- ☐ Patients have the responsibility to give honest, accurate and complete medical history information.
- ☐ Patients have the responsibility to make sure they understand what the doctor is saying and if not, ask questions for clarification.
- ☐ Patients have the responsibility to follow their doctor's medical advice and instructions.
- ☐ Patients should report any significant changes in their health to their doctor.
- ☐ Patients should respect office policies and procedures.
- ☐ Patients should keep appointments or cancel in advance.