

WE CARE ABOUT YOUR SAFETY...

We want everyone to feel safe and be safe at all times. One of the best ways to meet this goal is to work with you. Please ask questions and make suggestions.

PATIENT IDENTIFICATION

- Staff will ask you your name and birth date often.
- Your name and birth date will be checked before medications are given or procedures done.

The right patient every time



PREVENTING INFECTION

- Clean your hands often. Ask your family and visitors to do the same.
- Hand cleanser is found at entrances, elevators, clinics and treatment areas.
- It's okay to ask staff if they have cleaned their hands.
- Use a tissue when you cough or sneeze, then clean your hands. If you don't have a tissue, use your upper sleeve and then clean your hands.
- Tell your family and visitors not to visit if they are ill. If they must come, ask for a mask.



Lower your risk and the spread of infection

PREVENTION OF FALLS

- Tell your nurse if you feel drowsy or dizzy.
- Ask your care provider if you can get out of bed on your own.
- Be aware of what's around you. Wet floors, spills or equipment may cause you to slip or fall.



FIRE SAFETY IS IMPORTANT...

- All hospital buildings and grounds are smoke free; if you are caught smoking, you will be asked to stop and may be fined.
- Hospitals have sensitive smoke and fire alarms.
- For your safety, fire drills are held on a regular basis.
- If you hear a fire alarm, remain in your room with the door closed until further notice.
- Do not use elevators during a fire alarm.
- If there is a real fire, you will be escorted from the building by staff.

MEDICATION SAFETY

- Make a list of all prescribed drugs, traditional medicine, over-the-counter products, vitamins and herbs. Some of these may interfere with your treatments.
- Bring your list or your medications to the hospital.
- Tell your nurse, doctor and pharmacist if you have allergies to medication, food or anything else.
- Tell your nurse about any side effects you have had from treatment or medications.
- Before you go home, ask if there is anything special you need to do regarding your medications.

