Patient and Family Promise



Have a 'Can Do' Attitude

Focus on what can be done for the patient and family, rather than what cannot. For example: "What will work best for you?" "Let me take care of that for you." "If I can't help you, I know who can."



Introduce

Introduce yourself, and tell the patient and family your role in their care.



Set Expectations

Under promise and over deliver. Keep patients and families updated. Follow through. Respond to patient calls or messages within 24 hours.



Avoid Medical Jargon

Explain diagnoses, tests and procedures in everyday language.

Communicate Clearly and Regularly



Our patients and families are our #1 priority. The patient and family promise is what is expected of us every time they visit. These tactics are a reminder of simple things we can do every day to ensure we are making those we serve our highest priority; after all 'It's who we are.'



Check for Understanding

Ask the patient, caregivers, and family members to explain to you in their own words what they understand about the information you provided.