

The Patient Bill of Rights Under the Affordable Care Act allows you to decline to wear a mask when seeking medical care in a hospital or other medical center.

Here are excerpts that are particularly important:

(1) The patient has the right to **considerate and respectful care.**

(3) ...“The patient is entitled to the opportunity to discuss and request information related to the specific procedures and/or treatments, **the risks involved**, the possible length of recuperation, and **the medically reasonable alternatives and their accompanying risks and benefits.** [My note: COVID TESTING IS NOT APPROVED BY THE FDA AND THE RISKS AND SIDE EFFECTS ARE UNKNOWN]

(6) “The patient has the right to... **refuse a recommended treatment or plan of care** to the extent permitted by law and hospital policy and to be informed of the medical consequences of this action. **In case of such refusal, the patient is entitled to other appropriate care and services that the hospital provides”.**

(13) **“The patient has the right to consent to or decline to participate in proposed research studies or human experimentation** [My note: COVID TESTING IS NOT APPROVED BY THE FDA AND THE RISKS AND SIDE EFFECTS ARE UNKNOWN] affecting care and treatment or requiring direct patient involvement and to have those studies fully explained prior to consent. A patient who declines to participate in research or experimentation is entitled to the most effective care that the hospital can otherwise provide.”

HOW TO REFUSE MEDICAL INTERVENTION:

1. Demand to speak to the Charge Nurse or Head Doctor.
 2. Ask them to read you the PATIENT’S BILL OF RIGHTS (they should read it to YOU)
 3. Have them repeat this point: “The has a right to refuse a recommend treatment or plane of care... and is STILL entitled to OTHER appropriate care and services
- You may NOT be discriminated against based on your religious beliefs, age, gender, ethnicity or disability. You are PROTECTED by Federal and State Civil Law .

Here’s a link to the entire document. Print this out and take with you!!

<https://www.americanpatient.org/aha-patients-bill-of-rights/>