



Commitment to Excellence in Pain Management

Patient Rights:

As a patient at Martha's Vineyard Hospital Rehabilitation and Wellness Services, you can expect:

- Information about pain relief and pain relief measures.
- Information on potential side effects of pain relief medicines.
- A concerned staff committed to pain management.
- Health professionals who respond appropriately to all reports of pain.

Patient Responsibilities:

As a patient at Martha's Vineyard Hospital Rehabilitation and Wellness Services, we expect that you will:

- Ask your therapist what to expect.
- Discuss pain relief options with your therapist.
- Work with your therapist to make a pain relief plan.
- Help the therapist measure your pain.
- Communicate with your therapist and physician about inadequate pain control.
- Report side effects of pain medicines to your physician and therapist.
- Discuss your concerns about becoming "hooked" on pain medication with your therapist and your physician.

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