

North Carolina Specialty Hospital Notice of Services

You have selected **North Carolina Specialty Hospital**, a licensed acute care facility, for your health care services. North Carolina Specialty Hospital is Medicare certified and JCAHO accredited. The personnel, equipment and our hospital are suited to meet your particular needs. Our staff is trained and certified in basic life support, advanced life support and pediatric advanced life support.

Every service essential to a successful surgical outcome is provided within North Carolina Specialty Hospital. **As a highly qualified and specialized hospital, we do not offer every possible health care service available.** We feel that it is your right to be informed of the scope of specialty services available at our hospital. If at any time you have a concern regarding our services or the manner in which they are provided we encourage you to discuss this with a member of our administrative staff.

Physician Ownership:

Our physician owners are proud to be part of North Carolina Specialty Hospital. The first-rate quality of health care you will receive at our hospital is an extension of the care our physicians deliver in their own practices. While not all physicians who practice here are owners, your physician may have an ownership interest in this hospital. If you feel that the services that have been ordered for you are not proper or you believe your physician's ownership interest creates a conflict of interest, please notify a member of administration immediately.

Your physician: ___ Does ___ Does not: have an ownership interest in the hospital.

In-House Physician Coverage:

North Carolina Specialty Hospital and its medical staff will provide the level of physician and nursing care that is safe and appropriate for the services your doctor has prescribed. You should know that during your stay there may be some periods of time when a medical doctor is on call but NOT on-site at the hospital. However, during such times you will be attended by well trained nursing and allied health care professionals, prepared to address your medical needs. In the event of an emergency requiring a physician, he/she will be called and care will be provided under his/her instructions until he/she arrives. There are always licensed nurses in the hospital.

Testing:

We have focused our testing capability to meet the needs of the majority of patients we serve. However, under special circumstances additional tests may be needed which we do not offer. At that time you may need to be transported to another diagnostic site or samples may need to be sent to another diagnostic site for testing. If you have any concerns regarding testing which we do not provide please ask one of our administrative staff.

Critical Services:

We believe that every patient should be cared for in a location which can best meet their clinical needs. That is why we have developed a hospital with a special focus. On rare occasions a patient's condition might change unexpectedly, requiring care outside the scope of services we provide. If this occurs you may need to be transferred to a different hospital for additional evaluation and treatment.

Critical Services Not Available at North Carolina Specialty Hospital:

Dialysis, obstetrical care, intensive care, coronary care, psychiatric services, full service emergency room, and pediatric critical care are not provided at North Carolina Specialty Hospital.

Patient's Signature _____ Date: _____