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Statement of Client Rights for Substance Use Services in Outpatient Programs

Client Name: _____ SSN/MR#: _____

As a client of a NewVista program, you have the right to expect your constitutional, human and civil rights to be protected. If at any time you feel these rights are being violated, please discuss the matter with your primary counselor.

YOU HAVE THE RIGHT:

1. To our services regardless of race, religion, sex, sexual orientation or handicap, if you can be expected to profit from our program.
2. To be treated with consideration, respect and personal dignity.
3. To submit grievances, recommendations and opinions regarding your treatment without fear of reprisal.
4. To be fully informed about the cost to you and your family of your treatment and request a written statement of the charge that explains the policy for assessment and payment of fees.
5. To review your record in accordance with our policy and receive one free copy.
6. To receive individualized treatment.
7. To participate in the planning of your individualized treatment plan and periodic review of it.
8. To exercise your civil rights. When rights are contraindicated by your condition, you will receive a written explanation.
9. To give informed consent to treatment.
10. To give informed written consent regarding participation in human subject research.
11. To be informed of the rules of client conduct, including the consequences for the use of alcohol and drugs or other infractions that may result in disciplinary action or discharge.
12. To expect confidentiality. The confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records maintained by this program is protected by Federal law and regulations (***See 42 U.S.C. 290dd-2 for Federal law and 42CFR Part 2 for Federal regulations***). Generally, the program may not say to a person outside the program that a client attends the program or disclose any information identifying a client as an alcohol or drug abuser ***unless***:
    A. the client consents in writing;
    B. the disclosure is allowed by a court order;
    C. the disclosure is made to medical personnel in a medical emergency or to qualified personnel for research, audit, or program evaluation; or
    D. the client commits, or threatens to commit, a crime either at the program or against any person who works for the program.

Federal law and regulations **do not** protect any information about suspected child abuse or neglect from being reported under State law to appropriate state or local authorities. Violation of the Federal law and regulations by a Program is a crime. Suspected violations may be reported to the United States Attorney in the district where the violation occurs.

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Client Signature	***Date***	***Witness Signature***	***Date***