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Section 51348.2@ Patient Rights

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(a)

Patient participation in the comprehensive perinatal services program shall be voluntary. Each eligible patient shall be informed about the services available in the program, the potential risks and benefits of participation, and alternative obstetrical care if she chooses not to participate in the program.

(b)

Prior to the administration of any assessment, drug, procedure, or treatment, the patient shall be informed of potential risks or hazards which may adversely affect her or her unborn infant during pregnancy, labor, birth, or postpartum and the alternative therapies available to her. The patient has a right to consent or refuse the administration of any assessment, drug, procedure or treatment.

(c)

The patient has the right to be treated with dignity and respect, to have her privacy and confidentiality maintained, to review her medical treatment and record with her physician or practitioner, to be provided explanations about tests and clinic procedures, to have her questions answered about procedures, to have her questions answered about her care, and to participate in the planning and decisions about her management during pregnancy, labor and delivery.