We at Dosher Memorial Hospital Surgical Services are committed to providing you with a safe and pleasant surgical experience. Please feel free to take part and become involved in your surgical plan of care. You matter to us and we hope your experience at Dosher Memorial Hospital is satisfactory. Thank you for choosing Dosher Memorial Hospital for your surgical procedure.

On the day of your surgery, you will meet the members of your surgical team and have the opportunity to ask any remaining questions you have. Your team includes the Pre-Op nurse (RN), your surgeon, an anesthesiologist, a Certified Nurse Anesthetist (CRNA), and an Operating Room Nurse (RN).

Pain Levels

UNIVERSAL PAIN ASSESSMENT TOOL
This pain assessment tool is intended to help patient care providers assess pain according to individual patient needs. Explain and use 0-10 Scale for patient self-assessment. Use the faces or behavioral observations to interpret expressed pain when patient cannot communicate his/her pain intensity.

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Patient Rights

As a patient at this hospital, you can expect:

- Your reports of pain will be believed
- State-of-the-art pain management
- Information about pain and pain relief measures
- Health professionals who respond quickly to reports of pain
- A concerned staff committed to pain prevention and management

Patient Responsibilities

As a patient at this hospital, we expect you to:

- Ask your physician or nurse what to expect regarding pain and pain management
- Discuss pain relief options with your physician and nurse
- Work with your physician and nurse to develop a pain management plan
- Ask for pain relief when pain first begins
- Help your physician and nurse assess your pain
- Tell your physician or nurse if your pain is not relieved
- Tell your physician or nurse about any worries you have about taking pain medication

Health Care Provider’s Responsibility

1. All patients have a right to pain relief.
2. Pain is assessed on admission and reassessed during their stay.

Assessment includes:

- Onset
- Duration
- Alleviating and aggravating factors
- Location
- Intensity
- Quality of pain in patient’s own words
- Present pain management
- Effects of pain on daily life
- Patient’s goal in pain relief

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