Physicians and staff at Tri-State Orthopaedic Surgeons, Inc. take your health and wellbeing very seriously. Ongoing collaboration with your physician allows you to take an active role in your own health care and treatment. The patient responsibilities outlined below describe how you can assist us in delivering you the safest and most effective health care.

## **Patient Responsibilities**

- 1. Provide an accurate and complete health history including, present complaints, past illnesses, hospitalizations, medications, previous surgeries and other matters related to your health.
- 2. Be truthful and forthcoming with your physician and strive to express your concerns clearly.
- 3. Following the treatment plan established by your physician, including the instructions of other health professionals as they carry out the physician's orders.
- 4. Ensure you clearly comprehend the course of your medical treatment and what is expected of you.
- 5. Keep your appointments and notify our office when you are unable to do so.
- 6. Understand the consequences and potential outcomes if you do not follow the treatment plan established by your physician.
- 7. Plan for responsible transportation when discharged after procedural sedation is administered and when advised by your physician.
- 8. Provide accurate health insurance information and understand your financial responsibilities. Ensure financial obligations are promptly satisfied.
- 9. Recognize that a healthy lifestyle can often prevent or mitigate illness and take responsibility to follow preventive measures and adopt health-enhancing behaviors.
- 10. Contribute to a safe environment of care. Be aware of and refrain from behavior that unreasonably places the health of others at risk. Treat other patients, visitors and staff with respect and consideration.

Our obligation to provide a safe environment for patient care may override the patient's right to privacy.