



## DO YOU KNOW THE UNIVERSAL HUMAN RIGHTS OF MATERNITY CARE PATIENTS?

- 1** **The right to choose** a maternity care provider from the full range of providers available in the patient's community.
- 2** The right to choose the patient's birth setting from the full range of birthing options available in the patient's community.
- 3** **The right to leave** the patient's maternity care professional to select another if the patient becomes dissatisfied with the quality of the care provided.
- 4** The right to receive information about the names of those health care professionals involved in the patient's care and in the care of the patient's newborn.
- 5** **The right to privacy and confidentiality** of records, except as provided by law.
- 6** The right to receive information concerning the patient's condition and proposed treatment, including methods of relieving pain.
- 7** **The right to refuse** any treatment offered to the patient or the patient's infant.
- 8** **The right to be informed** if the patient's caregivers wish to enroll the patient or the patient's infant in a research study.
- 9** The right to access the patient's own medical records.
- 10** The right to receive information in a language in which the patient can communicate in accordance with federal law.
- 11** The right to receive emotional and physical support during labor and birth.
- 12** **The right to freedom of movement during labor and to give birth in the position of the patient's choice**, to the extent medically possible.
- 13** **The right to contact with the patient's newborn**, except where necessary care must be provided to the patient or the patient's infant.
- 14** **The right to decide**, in consultation with their caregivers, when the patient or the patient's newborn will leave the birth site for home.