

Heart Failure Patient & Caregiver Charter

Patient Expectations

As an individual living with Heart Failure (HF), I have the following expectations:

- To receive a timely and accurate diagnosis of HF.
- To have timely access to the best standards of care and medical therapies currently available.
- To have access to an integrated multidisciplinary care team and to be included in shared decision-making throughout my care journey.
- To have access to educational tools and resources, including a care plan which empowers me to self-manage my health effectively.
- To have access to services and resources necessary to support my mental healthcare from diagnosis onwards.
- To experience empathy and compassion from my healthcare providers.
- To have the opportunity to contribute and participate as an equal stakeholder in future HF research.

Patient Responsibilities

As an individual living with HF, I am ultimately responsible for taking care of my own health, supported by my family/caregivers and healthcare team, who do their best to guide and assist me.

- Maintaining healthy behaviours.
- Self-monitoring my HF symptoms.
- 3 Seeking medical help when I need it.
- Taking my medication as my team prescribed.
- Following the advice of my healthcare providers.
- Asking questions when I don't understand.