

## Discrimination is Against the Law

Gulf Coast Surgical Center complies with applicable Federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex. Gulf Coast Surgical Center does not exclude people or treat them differently because of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex.

Gulf Coast Surgical Center:

- Provides free aids and services to people with disabilities to communicate effectively with us, such
  as:
  - Qualified sign language interpreters
  - Written information in other formats (large print, audio, accessible electronic formats, other formats)
- Provides free language services to people whose primary language is not English, such as:
  - Qualified interpreters
  - Information written in other languages
- If you need these services, contact an employee who will assist you in obtaining the services.

If you believe that Gulf Coast Surgical Center has failed to provide these services or discriminated in another way on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex, you can file a grievance with: Allison Porretto, RN, Director of Nursing, 402 Dunn Street, Houma, LA 70360, (Phone) 985-872-1661, (Fax) 985-868-6938, (email) aplaisance@gulfcoastsurgical.net. You can file a grievance in person or by mail, fax, or email. If you need help filing a grievance, Allison Porretto is available to help you.

You can also file a civil rights complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights, electronically through the Office for Civil Rights Complaint Portal, available at https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf, or by mail or phone at:

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

200 Independence Avenue, SW

Room 509F, HHH Building

Washington, D.C. 20201



1-800-368-1019, 800-537-7697 (TDD)

Complaint forms are available at <a href="http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html">http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html</a>.