Advanced Surgical Care of Maryland Nondiscrimination Notice

Advanced Surgical Care of Maryland complies with applicable Federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate on the basis of age, race, ethnicity, religion, culture, language, physical or mental disability, socioeconomic status, sex, sexual orientation and gender identity or expression. Advanced Surgical Care of Maryland does not exclude people or treat them differently because of age, race, ethnicity, religion, culture, language, physical or mental disability, socioeconomic status sex, sexual orientation and gender identity or expression. Our health plans are also subject to the section 1557 nondiscrimination requirements and will be operated accordingly.

Advanced Surgical Care of Maryland:

- Provides free auxiliary aids and services to people with disabilities to communicate effectively with us, such as:
 - Qualified sign language interpreters, video remove interpreting or other aids for hearing impaired individuals
 - Written information in multiple formats including large print, audio, accessible electronic formats, or other formats for visually impaired individuals
- Provides free language services to people whose primary language is not English, such as:
 - Qualified interpreters or a language line
 - Information written in other languages

If you need these services, contact Advanced Surgical Care of Maryland's ADA Coordinator at 301-683-8172.

If you believe that Advanced Surgical Care of Maryland 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:

ADA Coordinator Advanced Surgical Care of Maryland 4395 Nicole Drive Lanham, MD 20706 Phone: 301-683-8172 Fax: 301-683-8173 Ivohs@ascofmaryland.com

You can file a grievance in person or by mail, fax or email. If you need help filing a grievance, Advanced Surgical Care of Maryland's ADA Coordinator 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 <u>https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portabl/lobby.jsf</u>, 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 <u>http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html</u>