

Kaiser Permanente Medical Care Program Research Participants' Bill of Rights

The following rights and privileges are guaranteed to all participants in medical research conducted within the Kaiser Permanente Medical Care Program. If you have questions about these rights, please call the Institutional Review Board at 303-908-2453.

Please note that items 5 and 6 below apply to clinical trials and may not apply to the research in which you are participating.

If you participate in medical research, you are entitled to certain rights that include but are not limited to the right to be:

1. Informed of the nature and purpose of the research.
2. Given an explanation of the procedures to be followed in the research and a description of any drug or device to be used.
3. Informed of any related discomforts and risks that can reasonably be expected from participation in the research.
4. Told of any benefits that can reasonably be expected from participation in the research.
5. Informed of any appropriate alternative procedures, drugs, or devices that might be advantageous to you and the relative risks and benefits of these alternatives.
6. If complications arise, informed of the availability of medical treatment, if any, after the medical research.
7. Given an opportunity to ask any questions concerning the research or about the procedures involved.
8. Told that you can decide to withdraw your consent to participate at any time with no effect on your health care benefits or medical care provided by Kaiser Permanente.
9. Given a copy of the signed and dated written consent form.
10. Allowed to decide for yourself whether to participate in research without any force, fraud, deceit, duress, coercion, or undue influence by anyone.