Utah Resident Rights:

(3) The facility shall ensure that each resident admitted to the facility has the right to:

...(e) be encouraged and assisted throughout the period of stay to exercise all rights as a resident and as a citizen, and to voice grievances and recommend changes in policies and services to facility staff and outside representatives of personal choice, free from restraint, interference, coercion, discrimination, or reprisal;

...(i) be treated with consideration, respect, and full recognition of dignity and individuality, including privacy in treatment and in care for personal needs;

...(k) associate and communicate privately with persons of the resident’s choice, and to send and receive personal mail unopened;

(l) meet with social, religious, and community groups and participate in activities provided that the activities do not interfere with the rights of other residents in the facility;

...(n) if married, to be assured privacy for visits by the spouse; and if both are residents in the facility, to be permitted to share a room;

(o) have members of the clergy admitted at the request of the resident or responsible person at any time;

(p) allow relatives or responsible persons to visit critically ill residents at any time;

(q) be allowed privacy for visits with family, friends, clergy, social workers or for professional or business purposes;

...(t) choose activities, schedules, and health care consistent with individual interests, assessments and care plan;

(u) interact with members of the community both inside and outside the facility; and

(v) make choices about all aspects of life in the facility that are significant to the resident.

(4) A resident has the right to organize and participate in resident and family groups in the facility.

(a) A resident’s family has the right to meet in the facility with the families of other residents in the facility.

(b) The facility shall provide a resident or family group, if one exists, with private space.

(c) Staff or visitors may attend meetings at the group’s invitation.
(d) The facility shall designate a staff person responsible for providing assistance and responding to written requests that result from group meetings.

(e) If a resident or family group exists, the facility shall listen to the views and act upon the grievances and recommendations of residents and families concerning proposed policy and operational decisions affecting resident care and life in the facility.

(5) The facility must accommodate resident needs and preferences, except when the health and safety of the individual or other residents may be endangered. A resident must be given at least a 24-hour notice before an involuntary room move is made in the facility.


(4) The facility must develop a comprehensive care plan for each resident that includes measurable objectives and timetables to meet a resident's medical, nursing, and mental and psycho-social needs as identified in the comprehensive assessment.

(a) The comprehensive care plan shall be:

... (ii) prepared with input from an interdisciplinary team that includes the attending physician, the registered nurse having responsibility for the resident, and other appropriate staff in disciplines determined by the resident's needs, and with the participation of the resident, and the resident's family or guardian, to the extent practicable.

R432-200-12. Residents' Rights. [Small Health Care Facility]

... (2) Each resident admitted to the facility shall have the following rights:

... (d) To be afforded the opportunity to participate in the planning of his medical treatment and to refuse to participate in experimental research;

(e) To refuse treatment to the extent permitted by law and to be informed of the medical consequences of such refusal;

... (k) To be treated with consideration, respect and full recognition of his dignity and individuality, including privacy in treatment and in care for personal needs;

... (m) To associate and communicate privately with persons of his choice, and to send and receive personal mail unopened;

(n) To meet with and participate in activities of social, religious, and community groups at his discretion;

... (p) If married, to be assured privacy for visits by his spouse and if both are residents in the facility, to be permitted to share a room;

(q) To have daily visiting hours established;

(r) To have members of the clergy admitted at the request of the resident or person responsible at any time;

(s) To allow relatives or persons responsible to visit residents at any time;
(t) To be allowed privacy for visits with family, friends, clergy, social workers or for professional or business purposes;

...(v) To wear appropriate personal clothing and religious or other symbolic items as long as they do not interfere with diagnostic procedures or treatment.

R432-200-16. General Resident Care Policies. [Small Health Care Facility]

(1) Each resident shall be treated as an individual with dignity and respect in accordance with Residents' Rights (R432-200-12).

R432-200-17. Resident-Care Plans. [Small Health Care Facility]

...(f) The resident and family shall participate in the development and review of the resident's plan.