



Garfield County
Hospital District
Caring for Generations

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Contraceptive Medication

PURPOSE:

To understand and clarify the reproductive health care services that is available from Garfield County Hospital District.

POLICY:

Garfield County Hospital District does not provide obstetrical services. In keeping with the EMTALA (Emergency Medical Treatment and Labor Act) law, services will be provided in the event of an obstetrical emergency whereupon the patient will be evaluated, stabilized, and transferred to an appropriate institution.

Patients presenting to the hospital for pre-natal care, pregnancy termination services, or obstetrical care will be referred to an appropriate provider/institution and given information for obtaining the care of their choosing.

In the event a patient presents as a victim of sexual assault or unprotected sex, the patient will be provided with factual and accurate information regarding emergency contraception. Patient may be transferred to a facility that has medically trained SANE staff, such as Pullman Regional Hospital or Sacred Heart for children and Tri-State Memorial Hospital for adults. When appropriate the patient may be provided with emergency contraception if not medically contraindicated.

Information on community outreach resources will also be provided, along with information on community sexual assault programs. Providers and nurses have access to written resources to help educate the patient and family along with access to the YWCA 24 hour crisis line. Example: Garfield County Public Health, YWCA Sexual Assault Advocacy Services which is available 24 hours a day or their provider of choice.

Approval Signatures

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