KADLEC REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
POLICY AND PROCEDURES

TITLE: Non—Participation in State of Washington Death with Dignity/Assisted Suicide	POLICY: X PROCEDURE: GUIDELINE: STANDARD:	NO. 1615
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COMMITTEE APPROVAL/REVIEW: Board of Directors, February 4, 2014		
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When the care of a patient includes a request by a patient for assisted suicide under the state Death With Dignity Act (Washington Death with Dignity Act I-1000 codified as RCW 70.425 passed on November 4, 2008), Kadlec physicians and other providers may counsel patients regarding all aspects of their care and may provide information about what relevant resources are available in the community. However, Kadlec providers and patients will not engage in physician-assisted suicide on Kadlec premises, Kadlec pharmacies will not dispense medications for such purposes, and Kadlec employed providers will not act as attending or consulting providers under the state Death With Dignity Act in the course of their employment with Kadlec.