LAKE CHELAN COMMUNITY HOSPITAL
HEALTHCARE CLOSE TO HOME

Policy & Procedures

Title: ADMISSION POLICY

Affected Departments: Human Resources

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Lake Chelan Community Hospital will not deny an patient admission due to race, creed, color, national origin, sex, honorably discharged veteran or military status, sexual orientation, or the presence of any sensory mental, or physical disability or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a disability is recognized as and declared to be a civil right. (RCW 49.60.030) Patient Non-Discrimination Policy

Upon admission each patient will receive their Patient Rights Patient Rights Policy

Financial:

Patients are offered a copy of LCCH's financial policy upon admittance or discharge. Financial arrangements are due a prior to discharge. In-patients needing financial assistance will be directed to a medical social worker or financial advisor for completion of DSHS application or to credit services for payment arrangements.

Lake Chelan Community Hospital recognizes a responsibility to carry its share of the burden of meeting the needs of medically-indigent patients. (Those with no, or inadequate means, of paying for needed care under current methods of financing healthcare services in the United States).

LCCH fulfills its legal responsibilities to provide services and establish patient eligibility under WAC 246-453-030. LCCH makes other arrangements to provide highly specialized services to needy patients within the limits of its means. Charity Care will be granted to all persons regardless of race, color, sex, religion, age, or national origin. Charity Care

Advance Directives:

In order to comply with the substantive requirements under RCW 70-122, addressing end of life decisions, all patients admitted to LCCH will be asked whether they have an advance directive. End of Life Care Advance Directives - PCS

Consent to Treat

When a patient is admitted to the hospital, the Authorization for Treatment form must be signed as consent for treatment at LCCH. If the patient is physically or mentally unable to sign or is a minor, the legal representative or next of kin will sign for consent. Consent to Treatment