

BENNETT COUNTY HOSPITAL AND NURSING HOME

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## Policy : PATIENT NONDISCRIMINATION

Policy: Bennett County Hospital Nursing Home and Rural Health Clinic is dedicated to providing services and welcoming visitors in a manner that respects, protects and promotes patient's rights.

Procedure: As a recipient of Federal financial assistance, Bennett County Hospital, Nursing Home and Rural Health Clinic (BCHNH&RHC) does not exclude, deny benefits to, or otherwise discriminate against any individual on the basis the individual's inability to pay; whether payment of those services would be made under Medicare, Medicaid or CHIP: the individual's race, color, sex, national origin, disability, religion, sexual orientation, or gender identity.

Personnel are prohibited from retaliating against any person who opposes, complains about, or reports discrimination, files a complaint, or cooperates in an investigation of discrimination or other proceeding under federal, state or local anti-discrimination law.

Any BCHNH&RHC personnel receiving a patient or visitor discrimination complaint will advise the complaining individual that he or she may report the problem to the CEO and file a complaint without fear of retaliation.