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Patient Admission to the Hospital

PURPOSE

Is it the policy of Tri-State Memorial Hospital to treat all patients with dignity and a profound respect for human life. All patients admitted to the facility will be treated equally, with respect in a courteous and caring manner.

POLICY

All patients admitted to the facility will be assessed for clinical need and justification.

Admission to the organization is not based on the financial status of the patient or the institution. Those patients whose medical condition cannot be treated safely at Tri-State Memorial Hospital will be diverted or transferred to another facility. Unless closed due to saturation or ability to care for patients based on acuity and staff availability, patients will not be denied admission.

Upon admission, all patients are given a comprehensive brochure that outlines Tri-State Memorial Hospital services and their availability, visiting hours and policies, patient rights and responsibilities and general hospital information. The brochure also informs the reader about their rights as a patient to voice concerns regarding his/her health care and the mechanism to do so.

In addition to the hospital services brochure, patients are also given a booklet regarding their rights to make decisions regarding their health care, which includes detailed information related to advance directives and the Patient Self Determination.

Policy submitted to DOH August 2019. All subsequent review/revisions to this policy will be forwarded in pdf format to hospitalpolicies@doh.wa.gov. The policy will also be updated on the hospital's website per regulation.

Approval Signatures

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