

Doing the Right Thing Right

Providence St. Joseph Health Code of Conduct

Culture of Diversity and Respect

We adhere to all laws and regulations and are committed to a workplace culture where all individuals are treated with respect and dignity, regardless of protected characteristics, as defined by local, state, or federal law, including but not limited to race, color, religious creed (including religious dress and grooming practices), national origin (including certain language use restrictions), ancestry, disability (mental and physical including HIV and AIDS), medical condition (including cancer and genetic characteristics), genetic information, marital status, age, sex (which includes pregnancy, childbirth, breastfeeding and related medical conditions), gender, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, and military and veteran status.

Quality of Care and Patient Safety

We commit to provide the best, *compassionate* care and service every time and strive to meet and exceed national standards for quality and patient *safety*.

Stewardship of Resources

We commit to effective stewardship of resources in support of patient care and organizational goals and only use resources for legitimate business purposes.

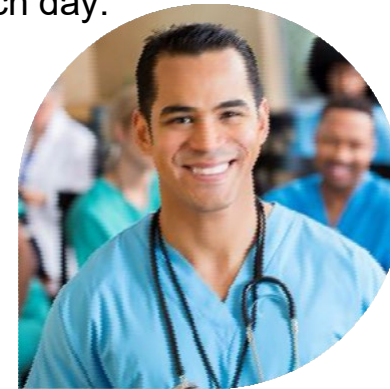
Conflicts of Interest (COI) Commitment

We will avoid actual or perceived COI and agree to disclose any outside interests or activities, contracts, and relationships that may be in conflict to the organization. We maintain impartial relationships with vendors, research sponsors, and contracts by not requesting or accepting gifts, cash, or cash equivalents.

Ethical and Legal Standards

We conduct ourselves in a professional and ethical manner in support of *justice* and will perform our job duties in accordance with all federal, state, and local laws.

Our mission, vision, values, and promise provide guidance and inspiration as we deliver quality care, make sound, ethical choices, and meet our organizational goals. As members of the Providence St. Joseph Health family of organizations, we are accountable for the integrity of our decisions and actions on the job. The Code of Conduct provides a foundation of expectations for us as we do our work each day.



Ways to report a concern

- Discuss the matter or concern with your immediate supervisor
- Discuss the matter or concern with your department leader
- Discuss with your HR Partner, HR Service Center, or send report via HR Portal
- Contact your local or regional compliance or privacy representative
- Call the 24/7 Providence Integrity Hotline at 888-294-8455 or use Integrity Online, our Web-based reporting option.
- For Caregivers in India:
 - From an outside line, dial the direct access number: 000-117
 - At the English prompt dial 888-294-8455

Safeguarding Patient Information and Protecting Privacy and Confidentiality

We take every precaution to safeguard patient information, and we will treat protected health information (PHI) of all with special care and follow all federal, state, and local laws.

Ethical Conduct of Research

We follow the highest ethical standards and comply with all laws, regulations, guidelines, and ethical directives (where applicable) that govern human, animal, and basic applied science research.

Licensure and Certification

We require all health care and education professionals to follow all federal, state, and local laws applicable to licensing, credentialing, and certification requirements. Individuals on the excluded provider lists cannot work for Providence.

Compliance with Applicable Federal and State Laws and Regulations, and Policies

We ensure *excellence* by requiring all parties that work for or on behalf of an employer within our family of organizations learn and follow all laws, regulations, and policies.

Fair Business Practices

We conduct ourselves ethically, honestly, and with *integrity* at all times.

Reporting Violations and Protection from Retaliation

We will use the appropriate method to report any violation or suspected violations of our code(s), fraud, waste, or abuse as required. Retaliation or harassment will not be tolerated.

Acknowledgment of Commitment to the Code of Conduct

These standards in the [PSJH Code of Conduct](#) do not, nor were they intended to, cover every situation you may encounter. They provide only broad guidance that is defined in greater detail by the various policies, standards, procedures and guidelines of PSJH, your region and your facility.

PSJH is committed to the standards outlined in this Code of Conduct. Your commitment is critical to the success of this Integrity and Compliance Program. I understand that if I violate this code of conduct, my access may be terminated, my medical staff privileges may be revoked, my employment or other compensation arrangement may be terminated, and my actions may be reported to relevant state and/or federal regulatory/law enforcement authorities.

I acknowledge that I have received my copy of the [PSJH Code of Conduct](#).

I understand that I am responsible for becoming familiar with the information contained in the Code and that this Code does not include all of the specific policies of PSJH.

Signature: _____

Date: ___/___/___

Printed Name: _____