



Access to Reproductive Health Services at Kittitas Valley Healthcare House Wide Clinical

Policy: As a Public Hospital District providing maternity services, Kittitas Valley Healthcare (KVH) complies with the Reproductive Privacy Act and recognizes the patient’s right to make informed decisions regarding reproductive health issues. KVH does not prohibit elective termination of pregnancy, provided a properly credentialed provider and associated staff are available to perform these services. KVH respects each individual’s right to refuse to participate in termination of pregnancy if it violates his or her personal beliefs, as outlined in the Reproductive Privacy Act.

If KVH medical staff are not credentialed to provide services requested by a patient, they are referred to the patient’s healthcare provider of choice, locally or in neighboring counties.

KVH Hospital Emergency Department does prescribe mifepristone, commonly referred to as an abortion pill. KVH Hospital performs bilateral tubal ligations, a permanent sterilization for females and KVH clinic providers offer vasectomy services for permanent male sterilization as a form of birth control.

Education Plan:

Healthcare providers will be informed through departmental meetings and/or new employee/agency staff orientation.

References:

Reproductive Privacy Act

Related Documents/Forms:

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