FSA Compliance Program





Code of Conduct Overview

Brethren Village is a Continuing Care Retirement Community.

Our compliance program covers the compliance issues, laws, regulations and guidelines that are relevant to a provider of senior services including residential, personal care and skilled nursing services.

Our Code of Conduct is a shared responsibility that applies to every person at every level of our organization. This includes employees, board of directors, volunteers, independent contractors, subcontractors and vendors who may provide or are involved with healthcare or billing.

As you read this summary of our Code of Conduct, the word Team Member will be used. This term includes all employees, vendors, contractors, volunteers and directors and officers providing care and services here at Brethren Village.

Our Code of Conduct is supported and guided by policies and procedures. Any questions regarding our Code of Conduct or our policies and procedures can be directed to your immediate supervisor, the compliance official or any member of the Compliance Committee or the Compliance Officer.

A copy of the entire Code of Conduct is available on the Brethren Village website at <u>www.bv.org/compliance</u> or may be obtained by contacting the Brethren Village Compliance Official:

Rodney L. Martzall Phone: 717-569-2657 Fax: 717-581-4400 Email: <u>rmartzall@bv.org</u>

Care Excellence

Our most important job is providing quality care to our residents. This means offering compassionate support to our residents and working toward the best possible outcomes while following all applicable rules and regulations.

Includes

- Honoring Resident Rights
- Zero tolerance for Abuse and Neglect

Any Team Member who abuses or neglects a resident is subject to termination as well as legal and criminal action. Abuse and neglect are to be reported to your supervisor immediately.

- Maintaining confidentiality of all resident information
- Respecting and protecting resident property to prevent loss, theft, damage and misuse
- Providing Quality of Care
- Accurate assessment and care planning
- Providing only medically needed services
- Using current practice standards
- Accurate and timely documentation
- Measuring clinical outcomes
- Assuring our workforce has appropriate experience and expertise to provide services
- Quality Assurance programs to improve out-comes
- Committing to comprehensive medically needed services. The Medical Director will have oversight of physicians and other medical services

Professional Excellence

The professional, responsible and ethical behavior of every Team Member reflects on the reputation of our organization and the services we provide. Whether you work directly with residents or in other areas that support resident services you are expected to maintain our standards of honesty, integrity and professional excellence every day.

Includes

• Hiring the best qualified employees regardless of race, color, age, religion, national origin, genetic information, sex, disability or any other protected class

- Employee screening
- Making the workplace a safe, ethical and comfortable environment including a workplace free of substance abuse
- Assuring company privacy and assuring proprietary information is kept confidential
- Following the Business Courtesies and Gifts policy
- Reporting any actual or potential conflict of interests
- Using property appropriately and respecting property and copyright laws
- Ensuring appropriate use of computers which eliminates improper, unlawful activity, downloads or use of games on our community's computers
- Being responsible as an organization to have honest and ethical vendor relations
- Assuring truth in our marketing and advertising

Regulatory Excellence

We are obligated to follow federal, state and local laws that govern our business. We are all responsible for learning and staying current in order to perform our job responsibilities.

Includes

- Committing to honest and ethical billing and communications
- Avoiding any kickbacks for referrals
- Respecting copyright laws
- Operating with standards of financial practices and controls
- Dealing fairly with all who we come in contact with
- Integrity and accuracy of all documentation
- Voluntarily disclosing when we find we are out of compliance
- Cooperating with government investigations

Corrective action will be taken with any Team Member who fails to act in accordance with the Code of Conduct, the compliance program, supporting policies and procedures, and applicable federal and state laws.

Brethren Village and its related entities are successful because our Team Members demonstrate their commitment to our core values - Caring, Integrity, Stewardship, and Excellence – in everything they do.

A Personal Obligation:

You have a duty to report any problems you observe or perceive, regardless of your role.

Three Step Reporting Process

First, talk to your supervisor. He or she is most familiar with laws, regulations and policies that relate to your work.

Second, if you are unable to talk to your supervisor, seek out another member of the management team or Human Resources.

Third, if you still have a concern, contact the Compliance Official or a member of the organization's Compliance Committee.

If none of these resolve your issue, you may call the

COMPLIANCE LINE:

1-800-211-2713

Your calls are confidential and you may call ANONYMOUSLY if you choose.



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