



## **SCOPE:**

This policy applies to all members of the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Center ("Fred Hutch") workforce that provide clinical care in Fred Hutch's clinical facilities.

## **PURPOSE:**

Fred Hutch is a cancer hospital that seeks to provide state-of-the-art patient and family centered cancer care; support the conduct of cancer clinical research and education; enhance access to improved cancer interventions; and advance the standard of cancer care regionally and beyond. As Fred Hutch is a cancer hospital, Fred Hutch generally only provides health services that relate to the treatment of cancer.

## **POLICY:**

The Fred Hutch does not discriminate against any patient or patient's family member on the basis of race, color, religion, creed, national origin, sex, age, disability, marital or veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity or any other basis prohibited by federal, state or local law. Fred Hutch does not discriminate against an individual based on whether he or she has executed an advance directive. See Fred Hutch's Nondiscrimination Policy for additional information.

Fred Hutch will provide care only to those patients who can be cared for safely within our facility.

Fred Hutch provides all patients with the opportunity to discuss their financial counseling and billing at any point of their care. Patients who do not have adequate insurance coverage and need to pay some or all of their charges themselves will be provided access to financial counseling on alternate payment options. Some Fred Hutch patients may be eligible for financial assistance pursuant to Fred Hutch's [Financial Assistance Policy](#).