Rights under Title VI

Willow Health Care Inc. operates its programs and services without regard to race, color, or national origin, in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

If you believe you have been discriminated against on the basis of race, color, or national origin by Willow Health Care, Inc., you may file a Title VI complaint by completing, signing, and submitting the agency's Title VI Complaint Form.

How to file a Title VI complaint with Willow Health Care,

Inc.:

- Requests for Complaint Forms can be requested by writing to the WHCI corporate office-WHCI P.O. Box 309 Willow Springs, MO 65793.
- In addition to the complaint process at Willow Health Care, Inc., complaints may be filed directly with the Federal Transit Administration, Office of Civil Rights, Region _7_, FTA Region 7 Office, 901 Locust St. Suite 404 Kansas City, MO 64106.
- Complaints must be filed within 180 days following the date of the alleged discriminatory occurrence and should contain as much detailed information about the alleged discrimination as possible.
- 4. The form must be signed and dated, and include your contact information.

If information is needed in another language, contact [417-469-0204].

POLICY AND PROCEDURES FOR COMMUNICATION WITH PERSONS WITH LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY

POLICY:

Willow Health Care, Inc. will take reasonable steps to ensure that persons with Limited English Proficiency (LEP) have meaningful access and an equal opportunity to participate in our services, activities, programs and other benefits. The policy of Willow Health Care, Inc. to ensure meaningful communication with LEP patients/clients and their authorized representatives involving their medical conditions and treatment. The policy also provides for communication of information contained in vital documents, including but not limited to, waivers of rights, consent to treatment forms, financial and insurance benefit forms, etc. All interpreters, translators and other aids needed to comply with this policy shall be provided without cost to the person being served, and patients/clients and their families will be informed of the availability of such assistance free of charge.

Language assistance will be provided through use of competent bilingual staff (when available), contracts or formal arrangements with local organizations providing interpretation or translation services, or technology and telephonic interpretation services. All staff will be provided notice of this policy and procedure, and staff that may have direct contact with LEP individuals will be trained in effective communication techniques, including the effective use of an interpreter.

Ozark Riverview Manor will conduct a regular review of the language access needs of our patient population, as well as update and monitor the implementation of this policy and these procedures, as necessary.

PROCEDURES:

1. IDENTIFYING LEP PERSONS AND THEIR LANGUAGE

Willow Health Care, Inc. will promptly identify the language and communication needs of the LEP person. If necessary, staff will use a language identification card or poster to determine the language. In addition, when records are kept of past interactions with patients (clients/residents) or family members, the language used to communicate with the LEP person will be included as part of the record.

2. OBTAINING A QUALIFIED INTEPRETER

Willow Health Care, Inc. is contracted with LanguageLine Solutions for over the phone language interpreter services to meet the needs of providing appropriate and effective communication with any LEP person requiring such for effective communication.

The Administrator of each entity is responsible for insuring that all staff are adequately trained to appropriately manage determining the need for and following through with putting in place interpreter services for any LEP person requiring such assistance, if there is not a qualified staff member to provide effective and accurate assistance. Willow Health Care, Inc. will make available a LanguageLine dual handset phone which will enable the staff members and LEP person to have direct communication with a LanguageLine interpreter in the appropriate language needed, allowing them to communicate without barrier with such individuals. These services are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Some LEP persons may prefer or request to use a family member or friend as an interpreter. However, family members or friends of the LEP person will not be used as interpreters unless specifically requested by that individual and **after** the LEP person has <u>understood</u> that an offer of an over the phone interpreter at no charge to the person has been made by the facility. Such an offer and the response will be documented in the person's file. If the LEP person chooses to use a family member or friend as an interpreter, issues of competency of interpretation, confidentiality, privacy, and conflict of interest will be considered. If the family member or friend is not competent or appropriate for any of these reasons, competent interpreter services will be provided to the LEP person as described above.

Children and other clients/patients/residents will **not** be used to interpret, in order to ensure confidentiality of information and accurate communication.

3. PROVIDING WRITTEN TRANSLATIONS

- (a) When translation of vital documents is needed, each unit in Willow Health Care, Inc. will submit documents for translation into frequently-encountered languages to the Administrator. This translation will also be managed by LanguageLine Solutions. Original documents being submitted for translation will be in final, approved form with updated and accurate legal and medical information.
- **(b)** Facilities will provide translation of other written materials, if needed, as well as written notice of the availability of translation, free of charge, for LEP individuals.

(c) Willow Health Care, Inc. will set benchmarks for translation of vital documents into additional languages over time.

4. PROVIDING NOTICE TO LEP PERSONS

Willow Health Care, Inc. will inform LEP persons of the availability of language assistance, free of charge, by providing written notice in languages LEP persons will understand. At a minimum, notices and signs will be posted and provided in intake areas and other points of entry. Notification will also be provided through one or more of the following: outreach documents, telephone voice mail menus, local newspapers, radio and television stations, and/or community-based organizations.

5. MONITORING LANGUAGE NEEDS AND IMPLEMENTATION

On an ongoing basis, Willow Health Care, Inc. will assess changes in demographics, types of services or other needs that may require reevaluation of this policy and its procedures. In addition, Willow Health Care, Inc. will regularly assess the efficacy of these procedures, including but not limited to mechanisms for securing interpreter services, equipment used for the delivery of language assistance, complaints filed by LEP persons, feedback from patients and community organizations, etc

6. USDA DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINT FILING

To file a complaint alleging discrimination, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, AD-3027, found online at http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html, or at any USDA office or write a letter addressed to USDA and provided in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by:

- (a) mail: U.S. Department of AgricultureOffice of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights1400 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, D.C.20250-9410;
- (b) fax: (202) 690-7442; or
- (c) email: program.intake@usda.gov.

[&]quot;This institution is an equal opportunity provider."

Europe

Albanian

Shqip Si

Tregoni me gisht gjuhën tuaj. Do të thërrasim një përkthyes. Përkthyesi ofrohet falas për ju.

Armenian

Դայերեն 🗫

Նշեք, Թե որ լեզվով եք խոսում։ Թարգմանիչ կկանչենք: Թարդմանչի ծառալությունները արամադրվում են անվճար:

Basque

Euskara 1

Zure hizkuntza aukeratu. Jarraian interprete bati deituko diogu. Zerbitzu hau doakoa da.

Bosnian

Bosanski 📆 Pokažite svoj jezik. Pozvat ćemo tumača.

Usluge tumača su besplatne za vas.

Bulgarian

Български 😘 п

Посочете вашия език. Ще бъде извикан преводач. Преводачът е осигурен безплатно за вас.

Croatian

Hrvatski 📆

Pokažite svoj jezik. Prevoditelj će biti pozvan. Prevoditelja ćete dobiti besplatno.

Czech

Čeština 📆

Ukažte na váš jazvk. Bude zavolán tlumočník. Tlumočení je pro vás bezplatné.

Danish

Dansk S

Peg på dit sprog. En tolk vil blive tilkaldt. Tolken tilbydes uden omkostninger for dig.

Dutch

Nederlands 7511

Wijs uw taal aan. Er zal contact worden opgenomen met een tolk. De service van de tolk is geheel gratis.

Estonian

Eesti keel 751

Osutage oma keelel. Vastava tõlgiga võetakse ühendust. Tõlketeenus on teie jaoks tasuta.

Finnish

Suomi WI

Osoita maasi kieltä. Kutsumme tulkin paikalle. Tulkin käyttö on sinulle ilmaista.

French

Français 7

Indiquez votre langue et nous appellerons un interprète. Le service est gratuit.

German

Deutsch 751

Zeigen Sie auf Ihre Sprache. Ein Dolmetscher wird angefordert. Der Dolmetscher ist für Sie kostenlos.

Greek

Ελληνικά 😭

Δείξτε τη γλώσσα σας και θα καλέσουμε ένα διερμηνέα. Ο διερμηνέας σας παρέχεται δωρεάν.

Hungarian

Magyar 📆

Válassza ki a nyelvet. Tolmácsot fogunk hívni. A tolmács az Ön számára díjtalan.

Europe - continued

Icelandic

Íslenska 📆

Bentu á bitt tungumál. Það verður hringt í túlk. Túlkurinn er þér að kostnaðarlausu.

Italian

Italiano 📆

Indicare la propia lingua. Un interprete sarà chiamato. Il servizio è gratuito.

Lithuanian

Lietuvių SI

Nurodykite savo kalbą. Bus pakviestas vertėjas. Vertėjas jums bus suteiktas nemokamai.

Macedonian

Македонски 🐒

Покажете на јазикот на кој зборувате. Ќе повикаме преведувач. Услугите на преведувачот се бесплатни.

Norwegian

Norsk SI

Pek på språket dit. En tolk vil bli tilkalt. Tolken tilbys kostnadsfritt for deg.

Polish

Polski W

Proszę wskazać swój język i wezwiemy tłumacza. Usługa ta zapewniana jest bezpłatnie.

Portuguese

Português 📆

Indique o seu idioma. Um intérprete será chamado. A interpretação é fornecida sem qualquer custo para você.

Romanian

Română 📆

Indicați limba pe care o vorbiți. Vi se va face legătura cu un interpret caare vå este asigurat gratuit.

Russian

Русский 📆

Укажите язык, на котором вы говорите. Вам вызовут переводчика. Услуги переводчика предоставляются бесплатно.

Serbian

Српски 📆 Покажите свој језик. Преводилац ће бити позван. Преводилац је за вас обезбеђен бесплатно.

Slovak

Slovenčina 📆 Ukážte na svoj jazyk. Zavoláme tlmočníka. Tlmočenie je pre vás bezplatné.

Spanish

Español SI

Señale su idioma y llamaremos a un intérprete. El servicio es gratuito.

Swedish

Svenska 📆

Peka på ditt språk. En tolk kommer att tillkallas. Tolken erbjuds utan kostnad för dig.

Ukranian

Українська 📆

Вкажіть вашу мову. Вам викличуть перекладача. Послуги перекладача надаються безкоштовно.

Yiddish

ווייזט אַן אויף אייער שפּראַך און מען וועט רופן אַן איבערזעצער. איר דארפט גארניט באצאלן פאר דער איבערזעצונג.

Pacific Islands

Fijian

Vosa Vakaviti

Dusia na nomu vosa. Ni na Vakarautaki mai e dua na dau vakadewa vosa. Na dau vakadewa vosa e sega ni saumi.

Ilocano

Ilokano 📆

Itudo yo ti sao yo. Ag awag da ti maysa nga mangipatpatarus nga tumulong kadakayo nga awan ti bayad na.

Indonesian

Bahasa Indonesia

Tunjukkan bahasa Anda. Penerjemah akan dihubungi. Penerjemah disediakan gratis tanpa dikenakan biaya.

Malay

Bahasa Melayu 501

Tunjukkan bahasa anda, Jurubahasa akan dihubungi, Jurubahasa akan disediakan tanpa anda dikenakan bayaran.

Marshallese

Kajin Majól 📆

Kelet kajin eo am. Im renaaj kúr juón am Ri-Ukok. Ri-Ukok eo enaaj jibań eok ilo ejjelok wóneen.

Samoan

Fa'asino lau gagana. Ole a vala'au se fa'amatala'upu. Ua saunia se fa'amatala' upu e aunoa ma se tau e te totogiina.

Tagalog Tagalog

Fa'asamoa 📆

Ituro po ang inyong wika. Isang tagasalin ang ipagkakaloob nang libre sa invo.

Lea Faka-Tonga

Tuhu'I mai ho'o lea fakafonua. 'E ui ha fakatonulea. 'Oki ta'etotongi kia 'a e fakatonulea.

North America, South America, and Caribbean

French

Français 751

Indiquez votre langue et nous appellerons un interprête. Le service est gratuit.

Haitian Creole

Kreyòl W

Lonje dwèt ou sou lang ou pale a epi nap rele yon entèprèt pou ou. Nou ba ou sèvis entèprèt la gratis.

Navaio

Diné k'ehjí 1

Nizaad biká'ígíí bich'í' dah diilníih. Ata' halne'é la' hágo bi'di'dooniil. Ata' halne'é éi doo haida yit'éego bik'é ni'diiléel da. T'áájiik'e ná ata' hodoolníh.

Portuguese

El servicio es gratuito.

Português %

Indique o seu idioma. Um intérprete será chamado. A interpretação é fornecida sem qualquer custo para você.

Spanish Señale su idioma y llamaremos a un intérprete.

Español 751

Interpreting Translation

1-800-752-6096.

LanguageLine

Solutions

Language Identification Card

As a LanguageLine SolutionsSM client you have

access to over-the-phone interpreting 24 hours a

day, 7 days a week. Offer this card in face-to-face

speaks. The most frequently encountered languages

believe the speaker may be from. (Pacific Islands,

that region. Underneath each language is the

We offer interpreting from English into more than

200 languages. If you are unable to identify the

language, our representative will help you with

in North America are grouped by the geographical

region where they are commonly spoken.

Europe, etc.)

English

your call.

To access an interpreter:

Locate the geographical region where you

Show the person the languages listed for

Point to your language. An interpreter will be called.

translation of the statement below:

The interpreter is provided at no cost to you.

situations to determine which language a person



For more information about our services call

Testing and Training

English %



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India, Pakistan, and Southwest Asia

Bengali

আপনার ভাষার দিকে নির্দেশ করুন। একজন দোভাষীকে ডাকা হবে। দোভাষী আপনি নিখরচায় পাবেন।

Guiarati

ગુજરાતી 📆

हिंदी दिया

તમારી ભાષાનો ઉલ્લેખ કરો. દુભાષિયાને બોલાવી શકાશે. દભાષિયાને બોલવવામાં તમારે ખર્ચ આપવો નઢિ પડે

Hindi

अपनी भाषा को इंगित करें। जिसके अनुसार आपके लिए दुभाषिया बलाया जाएगा। आपके लिए दुभाषियाँ की निशुल्क व्यवस्था की जाती है।

Malayalam

മലയാളം 📆 🏻

നിങ്ങളുടെ ഭാഷയിലേക്ക് ചൂണ്ടുക. ഒരു വ്യാഖ്യാതാവിന്റെ സേവനം ലഭ്യമാക്കും. ഈ വ്യാഖ്യാതാവിന്റെ സേവനം നിങ്ങൾക്ക് സൗജന്യമായാണ് നൽകുന്നത്.

Nepali

नेपाली 🖘

आफ्नो भाषातर्फ औंल्याउनहोस्। एक दोभाषेलाई बोलाइनेछ। तपाईको विना कनै खर्चको, एकजना दोभाषे उपलब्ध गराइनेछ।

Punjabi

ਪੰਜਾਬੀ જ ਆਪਣੀ ਭਾਸ਼ਾ ਵੱਲ ਇਸ਼ਾਰਾ ਕਰੇ। ਜਿਸ ਮੁਤਾਬਕ ਇਕ ਦੁਭਾਸ਼ੀਆ ਬੁਲਾਇਆ ਜਾਵੇਗਾ। ਤਹਾਡੇ ਲਈ ਦੁਭਾਸ਼ੀਆ ਦੀ ਮੁਫਤ ਇੰਤਜ਼ਾਮ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ।

Sinhalese

සිංහල 🐒

ඔබේ හමව පෙන්වන්න, හම ප්රවර්තකයෙකු කැළවෙන ඇත. හෂ ප්රවරතකය ඔබ වෙත නෙමීලේ සැපයෙන ඇත.

Tamil

தமிழ் 🞏

உங்கள் மொழியைச் சுட்டிக்காட்டுங்கள். மொழிபெயர்ப்பாளர் ஒருவர் அழைக்கப்படுவார். மொழிபெயர்ப்பாளருக்காக நீங்கள் செலவு செய்யத்தேவையில்லை.

Telugu

ತಲುಗು 🖘

మీ భాషను గురించండి. మీ భాషానువాదకులను పిలువబడును మీకు ఎటువంటి ఖర్చు లేకుండా భాషానువాదకులను సమకూర్చబడును.

Urdu

اردو

اپنی زبان پر اشاره کریں۔ ایک ترجمان کو بلاجائے گا۔ ترجمان کا انتظام آپ پر بغیر کسی خرج کے کیا جائے گا۔

Africa

Acholi Acoli W Siem thok ma iyae. Ja loko ibiro luongi.

Jaloko no ochiuni ma onge chudo.

Amharic

አማርኛ %

ቋንቋዎትን ያመልክቱ። አስተርጓሚ ይጠራል። አስተርጓሚው በነጻ ይቀርብልዎለታል።

Arabic

أشر إلى لغتك. وسيتم الاتصال بمترجم فوري. كما سيتم إحضار المترجم الغورى مجانًا.

Africa - continued

Dinka

Thok monyiang 1911

Weet ten thoungdie. Raan weetgervic a col. Agerwelyic ku a cin aroop biyik yen.

French

Français 721

Indiquez votre langue et nous appellerons un interprète. Le service est gratuit.

Hausa

Hausa To

Nuna zuwa ga yarenka. Za a kira tafinta. An samar maka da tafintan ne ba tare da sai an biya kuɗi ba.

Italian

Italiano 3

Indicare la propia lingua. Un interprete sarà chiamato. Il servizio è gratuito.

Nuer

Mägäcä luqäddä 📆

Ku tīlmāan luqāddāādā. Turjubāan āyāā looyēērī-doonāā. Turjubäänkä lägugu yeeräyo wää bilääsh.

Oromo

Oromo S

Gara afaan keetti eeri. Turiumaanni ni waamama. Turjumaanni beesee takka malee siif qophaawa.

Portuguese

Português 3

Indique o seu idioma. Um intérprete será chamado. A interpretação é fornecida sem qualquer custo para você.

Portuguese Creole Crioulo Portugues To

Nho pontâ pa lingu qui nho ta papiâ. No ta arranja um interprete pa nho. No ta rranja um interprete e nho ca ta pagâ nada pa el.

Somali

Af-Soomaali 1811

Farta ku fiiqluqadaada... Waxa laguugu yeeri doonaa turjubaan. Turjubaanka wax lacagi kaaga bixi mayso.

Swahili

Kiswahili 751

Onyesha lugha yako. Mkalimani ataitwa. Utapewa mkalimani bila gharama yoyote.

Tigrinya

+765 %□

ቋንቋኸም አመልከቱ። አተር<u>ጻ</u>ሚ ከጽዋእ ይኸእል እዩ። ንአተርጓሚ እትከፍልዎ ዝኾነ ከፍሊት የለን።

Wolof

Wolof To

Taannal sa lakk ngir fiou bolela ak kou degg sa lakk mou dimbeuli leu. Ndimbeul bi do ci fev dara.

Yoruba

Yorùbá 📆

Tóka sí èdè re. A ó pe ògbùfò kan. Ofé ni a ó pe ògbùfò yìí fún o.

LanguageLine Solutions also offers LanguageUc (VRI),

Video Remote Interpreting for American Sign Language and spoken languages. For more information contact 1-888-763-3364 or LanguageUc@languageline.com or visit www.LanguageLine.com

Middle East

Arabic

الم عربي

أشر إلى لغتك. وسيتم الاتصال بمترجم فوري. كما سيتم إحضار المترجم الفورى مجأنا

Armenian

Դայերեն 📆

Նշեք, թե որ լեզվով եք խոսում։ Թարգմանիչ կկանչենք։ Թարգմանչի ծառայությունները տրամադրվում են անվճար:

Azerbaijani

Azərbaycan dili

Danışdığınız dili bildirin. Sizin üçün tərcüməçi dəvət olunacaq. Tərcümə xidməti üçün ödənis tələb olunmur.

Dari

5,3 To

زبان مود نظر را نشائی کنید. یک ترجمان فراخوانده خو اهد شد. این بر ای شما کدام هزینه در یی نخواهد داشت.

Farsi

زبان مورد نظر خود را مشخص کنید. یک مترجم برای شما درخواست خواهد شد. مترجم بصورت رایگان در اختیار شما قرار می گیرد.

Hebrew

הצבע לעבר השפה שלר, ואנחנו נתקשר למתורגמן. שירותו של המתורגמן ניתן ללא תשלום.

Kurdish

ناماژه به ز مانه که تان و در گیر یک بانگ ده کریت. بو نامادمکردنی و مرگیر هیچ بار میهک له تو و مرناگیر دریت.

Pashto

الك يستو

خیلی ژبی ته اشاره و کړئ يو ژباړونکي به راوبلل شي. ستاسو له پاره د ژباړونکي انتظام په وړيا توګه کيږي.

Turkish

Türkce S

Konuştuğunuz dili gösterin. Sizin için bir çevirmen aranacaktır. Bu çevirmen size ücretsiz sağlanır.

Asia

China 请指認您的语言,以便為 请指认您的语言,以便为 您提供免费的口譯服務。 您提供免费的口译服务。 廣東話 广东话 Cantonese FI 潮州话 Chaochow 潮州話 FEI **Fukienese** 福建話 福建话 921 Mandarin 國語 普通话 FI 上海話 上海话 Shanghai Tell Taiwanese 台灣話 台湾话 FI Toishanese 台山話 台山话 TI

Asia- continued

Burmese

မြန်မာ 🐒

သင့်ဘာသာကေားကို ညွှန်ပြပါ။ တေားပြန် ခေါ်ပေးပါမယ်။ သင်အတွက် စကားပြန် အခမဲ ပေးပါမယ်။

Hmong

Hmoob 3

Taw rau koj hom lus. Yuav hu rau ib tug neeg txhais lus. Yuav muaj neeg txhais lus yam uas koj tsis tau them dab tsi.

Indonesian

Bahasa Indonesia 🖘

Tunjukkan bahasa Anda, Penerjemah akan dihubungi, Penerjemah disediakan gratis tanpa dikenakan biaya.

Japanese

日本語 省

あなたの話す言語を指してください。 無料で通訳サービスを提供します。

Karen

ကညီကျို် 📆

ខ្មែរ (កម្ពុជា) 🐒

နဲ့ 5လီးဆနကို 5-တာကကိုးပူးကို 5ထံတား-တါဟုဉ်ပူးကိုဉ်ထံတါလ၊တဆိုဉ်နီးအပူးအကလုံးဘဉ်-

Khmer (Cambodian)

សមចងលភាសាអ្នក។ យើងនឹងហៅអ្នកបកប្រែភាសាមកជន។ អ្នកបក្សែបភាសានឹងជួយអ្នកដោយមិនគិតថ្ងៃ។

Korean

한국어 중기 귀하께서 사용하는 언어를 지정하시면 해당 언어 통역 서비스를 무료로 제공해 드립니다.

Laotian

ພາສາລາວ 📆

ຂີ້ບອກພາສາທີ່ເຈົ້າເວົ້າໄດ້. ພວກເຮົາຈະຕິດຕໍ່ນາຍພາສາໃຫ້ ທ່ານບໍ່ຕ້ອງເສຍເງິນຄ່າແປ່ໃຫ້ແກ່ນາຍແປພາສາ.

Malay

Bahasa Melayu 301

Tunjukkan bahasa anda, Jurubahasa akan dihubungi, Jurubahasa akan disediakan tanpa anda dikenakan bayaran.

Thai

Nuqv longc meih nyei waac fingx. Ninh mbuo porv waac mienh oix zuqc heuc daaih lorx meih. Ninh mbuo porv waac mienh tengx nyei jiauv louc yaac barqc thenx maiy zuqc cuoty zinh nyaanh faan-liuc

Mongolian

Монгол %

ไทย 📆

Танай хэлээ эаа. Орчуулагч дуудагдана. Орчуулагчийн тусламж танд үнэгүй байх болно.

ช่วยชี้ที่ภาษาที่ท่านพด แล้วเราจะจัดหาล่ามให้ท่าน

การใช้ล่ามไม่ต้องเสียค่าใช้จ่าย Vietnamese

Tiếng Việt %

Hãy chi vào ngôn ngữ của quý vị. Một thông dịch viên sẽ được gọi đến, quý vị sẽ không phải trả tiền cho thông dịch viên.

NONDISCRIMINATION POLICY

As a recipient of Federal financial assistance, and in accordance with Federal civil rights, and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights, regulations and policies, Willow Health Care, Inc. (WHCI) does not exclude, deny benefits to, or otherwise discriminate against any person on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, disability, age, marital status, family/parental status, income derived from a public assistance program, political beliefs or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity, in admission to, participation in, or receipt of the services and benefits under any of its programs and activities, whether carried out by WHCI directly or through a contractor or any other entity with which WHCI arranges to carry out its programs and activities.

This statement is in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (nondiscrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973(nondiscrimination on the basis of disability), the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (nondiscrimination on the basis of age), and Regulations of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services issued pursuant to these statutes at Title 45 Code of Federal Regulations Parts 80, 84, and 91.

Additionally, in accordance with Section 1557 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010, 42 U.S.C. § 18116 WHCI does not exclude, deny benefits to, or otherwise discriminate against any person on the grounds of sex (including gender identity), race, color, national origin, age, or disability in admission to, participation in, or receipt of the services and benefits under any of its health programs and activities, and in staff and employee assignments, whether carried out by WHCI directly or through a contractor or any other entity with which WHCI arranges to carry out its programs and activities.

WHCI will also take reasonable steps to ensure that persons with disabilities or Limited English Proficiency (LEP) have meaningful access and an equal opportunity to participate in our services, activities, programs and other benefits. The policy of WHCI is to ensure meaningful communication with disabled and LEP patients/clients and their authorized representatives involving their medical conditions and treatment. The policy also provides for communication of information contained in vital documents, including but not limited to, waivers of rights, consent to treatment forms, financial and insurance benefit forms, etc. All interpreters, translators, sign language interpreters and other aids needed to comply with this policy shall be provided without cost to the person being served, and patients/clients and their families will be informed of the availability of such assistance free of charge. If these services are needed, please see below to find contact information for the Nondiscrimination Coordinator at each individual facility operated by WHCI.

Affordable Care Act Grievance Procedure – ACA Section 1557

It is the policy of WHCI not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability. WHCI has adopted an internal grievance procedure providing for prompt and equitable resolution of complaints alleging any action prohibited by Section 1557 of the Affordable Care Act (42 U.S.C. § 18116) and its implementing regulations at 45 C.F.R. pt. 92, issued by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Section 1557 prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability in certain health programs and activities. Section 1557 and its implementing regulations may be examined at the business office of each individual facility operated by WHCI. Please see below to find contact information for the Nondiscrimination Coordinator at each facility who has been appointed to coordinate the efforts of that facility to comply with Section 1557.

Any person who believes someone has been subjected to discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability may file a grievance under this procedure. It is against the law for WHCI to retaliate against anyone who opposes discrimination, files a grievance, or participates in the investigation of a grievance.

Procedure:

- Grievances must be submitted to the Nondiscrimination Coordinator within (60 days) of the date the person filing the grievance becomes aware of the alleged discriminatory action.
- A complaint must be in writing, containing the name and address of the person filing it. The complaint must state the problem or action alleged to be discriminatory and the remedy or relief sought.
- The Nondiscrimination Coordinator (or her/his designee) shall conduct an investigation of the complaint. This investigation may be informal, but it will be thorough, affording all interested persons an opportunity to submit evidence relevant to the complaint. The Nondiscrimination Coordinator will maintain the files and records of WHCI relating to such grievances. To the extent possible, and in accordance with applicable law, the Nondiscrimination Coordinator will take appropriate steps to preserve the confidentiality of files and records relating to grievances and will share them only with those who have a need to know.
- The Nondiscrimination Coordinator will issue a written decision on the grievance, based on a preponderance of the evidence, no later than 30 days after its filing, including a notice to the complainant of their right to pursue further administrative or legal remedies.
- The person filing the grievance may appeal the decision of the Nondiscrimination Coordinator by writing to the CEO of Willow Health Care, Inc, within 15 days of receiving the Nondiscrimination Coordinator's decision. The CEO of Willow Health Care, Inc. shall issue a written decision in response to the appeal no later than 30 days after its filing.

The availability and use of this grievance procedure does not prevent a person from pursuing other legal or administrative remedies, including filing a complaint of discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability in court or with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights. A person can file a complaint of discrimination electronically through the Office for Civil Rights Complaint Portal, which is available at: https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf, or by mail or phone at:

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services 200 Independence Avenue, SW Room 509F, HHH Building Washington, D.C. 20201 Toll Free: 1-800-368-1019

TTD Number: 1-800-537-7697

Complaint forms are available at: http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html. Such complaints must be filed within 180 days of the date of the alleged discrimination. WHCI will make appropriate arrangements to ensure that individuals with disabilities and individuals with limited English proficiency are provided auxiliary aids and services or language assistance services, respectively, if needed to participate in this grievance process. Such arrangements may include, but are not limited to, providing qualified interpreters, providing taped cassettes of material for individuals with low vision, or assuring a barrier-free location for the proceedings. The Nondiscrimination Coordinator will be responsible for such arrangements.

Dated: October 13, 2016

For further information please contact:

Provider Name/Nondiscrimination Coordinator/Phone Number
Brooke Haven Healthcare – Holly Osgood – (417) 256-7975
Mountain View Healthcare – Rita Haff – (417) 934-6818
Willow Care Nursing Home – Marie Head – (417) 469-3152
Ozark Riverview Manor – Russ Newby – (417) 581-6025
Westwood Rural Health Clinic – Linda Tooley – (417) 469-5124

TDD or State Relay number:

Relay Missouri 711 or

TTY/ASCII: 1-800-735-2966

Voice: <u>1-866-735-2460</u>

Voice Carry Over: 1-800-735-0135 Speech to Speech: 1-877-735-7877

Spanish: 1-800-520-7309 900 Service: <u>1-900-230-6363</u>

Willow Health Care Inc TITLE VI COMPLAINT FORM

"No person in the United States shall, on the basis of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance."

If you feel that you have been discriminated against in the provision of transportation services, please provide the following information to assist us in processing your complaint. Should you require any assistance in completing this form or need information in alternate formats, please let us know.

Please mail or return this form to:
Willow Health Care, Inc.
Shirley Alter, CEO
P.O. Box 309
Willow Springs, MO 65793

Phone: 417-469-0204 Fax: 417-469-3443

PLEASE PRINT

1.	Complainant's Name:			
	a. Address:			
	b. City:	State:	Zip Code:	
	c. Telephone (include area code): Hom	e () or Cell ()	Work	
	()	-	() -	
	d. Electronic mail (e-mail) address:			
	Do you prefer to be contacted by this e-mail address? () YES () NO			
2.	Accessible Format of Form Needed? ()	YES specify:	() NO	
3.	Are you filing this complaint on your own behalf? () YES If YES, please go to question 7.			
	() NO If no, please go to question 4			
4.	If you answered NO to question 3 above, please provide your name and address.			
	 a. Name of Person Filing Complaint: 			
	b. Address:			
	c. City:	State:	Zipcode:	
	d. Telephone (include area code): Hom	e () or Cell ()	Work	
	()	-	() -	
	e. Electronic mail (e-mail) address:			
	Do you prefer to be contacted by this e-mail address? () YES () NO			
5.	What is your relationship to the person for whom you are filing the complaint?			
6.	Please confirm that you have obtained the permission of the aggrieved party if you are filing on			
	behalf of a third party. () YES, I have permission. () NO, I do not have permission.			
7.	I believe that the discrimination I experienced was based on (check all that apply):			
	() Race () Color () National Origin (classes protected by Title VI)			
	() Other (please specify)			

- 8. Date of Alleged Discrimination (Month, Day, Year):
- 9. Where did the Alleged Discrimination take place?

10. Explain as clearly as possible what happened and why you believe that you were discriming				
against. Describe all of the persons that were involved. Include the name and contact information				
of the person(s) who discriminated against you (if known). Use the back of this form or separate				
pages if additional space is required.				
11. Please list any and all witnesses' names and phone numbers/contact information. Use the back of				
this form or separate pages if additional space is required.				
12. What type of corrective action would you like to see taken?				
13. Have you filed a complaint with any other Federal, State, or local agency, or with any Federal or				
State court? () YES If yes, check all that apply. () NO				
a. () Federal Agency (List agency's name)				
b. () Federal Court (Please provide location)				
c. () State Court				
d. () State Agency (Specify Agency)				
e. () County Court (Specify Court and County)				
f. () Local Agency (Specify Agency)				
14. If YES to question 14 above, please provide information about a contact person at the agency/court				
where the complaint was filed.				
Name: Title:				
	phone: () -			
Address:	none: ()			
City: State	: Zip Code:			
You may attach any written materials or other information that you think is relevant to your complaint.				
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If you completed Questions 4, 5 and 6, your signature and date is required:				
Signature	Date			