



# TAHOE FOREST HOSPITAL DISTRICT

POLICY/PROCEDURE NO. \_\_\_\_\_  
SECTION NURSING/MEDICAL STAFF/  
ADMINISTRATION

TITLE: BIOETHICS CASE CONSULTATION

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## POLICY

The Bioethics Committee may be utilized for case consultation regarding an ethical dilemma when other measures have been initiated. These measures may include:

- Consultation with primary care physician
- Patient Case Conferences
- Quality Assurance referral
- Risk Management referral
- Appropriate medical staff committee referrals

## PURPOSE

To serve as a resource when faced with an ethical dilemma.

## PROCEDURE

1. Call TFHD Nursing Supervisor or Nursing Case Manager. Tell him/her you need to speak with someone from the Bioethics Committee regarding a consult. Give your name and number and someone will contact you.
2. See "Tool" for Bed Control/Supervisors and Bioethics Committee Members"
3. Patient care conference held with appropriate individuals is to be documented in medical record.

CC: Nursing Administration  
Administration

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