

**PURPOSE:** Our program has an obligation to protect and promote your rights as a consumer of healthcare services. This includes providing you with a timely and efficient way of handling any concerns or complaints you might have about the services we offer. Please be assured, we value and appreciate your concerns as we believe they help to make us better. No one in this agency will retaliate against you for filing a grievance. The care we offer you will continue to meet all standards of care. All we ask is that you follow the process we have outlined below so we may address your concerns in a timely and organized manner.

**PROCEDURE(S):** Before you file a formal grievance, we encourage you to first, try and resolve the problem with the person or people you believed caused the concern, any informal complaints will be documented with the resolution. If this is not possible, or the answer you receive is not acceptable to you, we ask that you complete and submit the Patient Grievance Form. You can submit the completed form by dropping it into the lock box in the front lobby, on the counter or you may mail it using the self-addressed envelope located next to the grievance forms. **The grievance should be submitted within 48 hours to 5 days of the incident, for timely assessment and resolution.**

The Quality/Performance Improvement Manager will accept your form and write a note in your chart indicating the date and time the grievance was accepted. Quality/Performance Improvement Manager will then bring it to the attention of the Executive Director and designated department manager.

The Quality/Performance Improvement Manager will either investigate the grievance or delegate the responsibility for the investigation depending upon the nature of the complaint. You will be contacted about the investigation and possible solutions to the problem within 72 hours after the grievance was received by the Quality/Performance Improvement Manager, unless the grievance is submitted anonymously. You will receive a written response to the complaint, once resolved. If the resolution is still not acceptable for you, a meeting will be arranged with the Executive Director to further rectify the concern.

To mail in a grievance, please return completed form to:

Executive Director  
Community Outreach Medical Center (COMC)  
1090 E. Desert Inn Rd., Suite 200  
Las Vegas, NV 89109  
(702) 657-3873

Patient Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Apt/Unit: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check this box if you would like to remain anonymous.  
 (By checking this box, we are unable to follow-up with you in regards to results or resolutions)

**Summarize the nature of the grievance** (specify the basis of the grievance, including all contract violations, policies, practices and/or laws):

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Time & Date of Incident: \_\_\_\_\_:\_\_\_\_\_ AM / PM on \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Name of staff member(s) involved: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Desired remedy** (as a result of your grievance, what would you like to see happen?)

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Patient Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Office Use Only:**

Grievance Received \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_       Grievance Investigated \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
 Grievance Resolved \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_       Follow-up Completed \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Quality/Performance Improvement Manager: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Executive Director Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_