Sample Hospital or Clinic Pledge

We pledge to:

• Provide essential healthcare to all who enter our facility, regardless of their income or identity or religious beliefs;
• Refuse to investigate or detain patients or staff based on their immigration status; and
• Defend the civil rights of health professionals and resist any attempt to blacklist staff for their political beliefs, religion or identity.

With that being considered:
Our waiting room is not considered a public area. The waiting room is open only to patients and persons accompanying them. The general public must remain in areas outside the facility.

Our patients have a right to:

• Healthcare, regardless of their immigration status.
• Refuse to answer questions from immigration agents.
• Ask that a lawyer be present if they are questioned.
• Have access to an interpreter.

We advise patients to:

• Never run from immigration officials—since this can cause them to be arrested.
• Never sign anything given to them by an Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) official without first talking to an attorney.