

**Procurement Diversity Policy for Vendors Doing Business
with
Mee Memorial Healthcare System (MMHS)**

Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to establish an operational philosophy and awareness for the purchase of goods and services from businesses owned by minorities, women, persons with a disability (collectively known as MWBE firms), and the LGBTQ community in the procurement activities of Mee Memorial Healthcare System (MMHS) in compliance with applicable and Federal statutes.

Policy

The MMHS Procurement Diversity Policy strives to ensure that we achieve the maximum value for each dollar spent by purchasing products and services from responsive suppliers and consultants at the lowest reasonable cost. Procurement manages the bidding process to ensure compliance with policies. MMHS is committed to ensuring fair consideration of all suppliers and consultants in its day-to-day purchase of goods and services and recognizes that working with a wide range of suppliers and consultants provides an open, competitive, and diverse business environment.

It is the policy of MMHS to include minorities, women, persons with a disability (collectively known as MWBE firms), and the LGBTQ community in the procurement process and to objectively evaluate all qualified businesses regardless of race, gender, or handicap, or gender orientation.

MMHS will post this policy on our website. Materials Management staff will have a byline in their email signature regarding being a diversity buyer.