## BENCO 24 Hour POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

SUBJECT: PROHIBITION AGAINST RETALIATION

OAR: 411-323-0050 (3) a-b (A-D)

## POLICY:

(3) Benco will not retaliate against any employee or subcontractor, including relief employees that report in good faith suspected abuse or retaliate against the individual with respect to any report.

## PROCEDURE:

- Prohibition against retaliation:
  - **a** An accused person will not self-report solely for the purpose of claiming retaliation.

If Benco retaliates against any person because of a report of suspected abuse or neglect, Benco will be liable according to ORS 430.755 in a private action to the reporting person for actual damages and, in addition, is subject to a penalty up to \$1000, notwithstanding any other remedy provided by law.

- **b** (A-D) Any adverse action is evidence of retaliation if taken within 90 days of a report of abuse. For purposes of this section, "adverse action" means:
  - any action taken by Benco or a person involved in reporting against the individual because of the report. This includes, but is not limited to:
  - Discharge or transfer from Benco, except for clinical reasons.
  - Discharge from or termination of employment.
  - Demotion or reduction in remuneration for program services
  - restriction or prohibition of access to Benco or the individuals receiving services by Benco.