# Yale Medicine

# Standards of Professional Behavior

## Patient-Centered Care – Put patients and families first

- · Keep patients safe and use high reliability practices
- · Deliver the highest quality of coordinated care and service
- · Make patients and families part of the team
- Ensure a quiet, clean environment

### Respect – Value all people

- Protect others' privacy and dignity
- · Introduce yourself and your role
- Be curious, ask questions and listen without interruption
- · Support, recognize and appreciate others

### Compassion - Be empathetic

- · Smile, make eye contact and offer a warm greeting
- Offer thoughtful gestures of courtesy, comfort and kindness
- · Identify and respond to feelings, concerns and requests
- · Communicate with courtesy and respect

#### Integrity – Do the right thing

- · Be on time and prepared
- · Promote diversity and be inclusive
- · Work as a team and speak well of others
- · Value different ideas, perspectives and feedback

#### Accountability – Be responsible and take action

- Own your work and follow through on commitments
- · Explain what you are doing and why
- · Present a professional image
- · Acknowledge when wrong, apologize and take action