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CHA Statement on the U.S. Department of Health and Human Service's Final Rule on Nondiscrimination in Health and Health Education Programs or Activities

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WASHINGTON, DC – “The Catholic Health Association of the United States (CHA) is committed to the principle that health care must be available to any person in need of care, without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability, or any other category or status.

“While we welcome the efforts to reaffirm the unique mission of faith-based health care providers, refusing to provide medical assistance or health care services merely because of discomfort with or animus against an individual on the basis of how that person understands or expresses gender or sexuality is unacceptable.”

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