

SLIDING FEE DISCOUNT PROGRAM INFORMATION

WHY SHOULD I SIGN UP FOR THE PROGRAM?

Neighborhood Health Center (NHC) offers discounted services to patients living at or below 200% of the most current Federal Poverty Guidelines (FPG). Eligibility to participate in the program is based only on the patient's household income and family size, as it relates to FPGs. All patients are encouraged to apply, including patients with insurance. Discounts apply to all NHC services provided directly at NHC clinics and those offered in referral. Discounts vary depending on the patient's assigned discount pay class (see Discount Classes A-D in the Monthly Income table below) and the service being used by the patient at the time of appointment (i.e. medical, dental, or behavioral health). Please take a moment to review this information sheet prior to filling out your application. If you have questions, please ask an NHC staff member for assistance.

WHO SHOULD I INCLUDE IN MY FAMILY SIZE?

NHC defines a family as a group of two or more people living together who are financially supporting one another.

Do NOT include:

- Family members who do not live with you
- Family members who are financially independent

Still not sure who to include? Ask us!

WHAT IS ACCEPTABLE PROOF OF INCOME?

<u>For each member contributing income to the family, attach at least one of the following documents</u> to your application:

- ✓ Two (2) weeks of most recent pay stubs
- ✓ Check stubs from Unemployment Insurance
- ✓ Previous year W-2
- ✓ Previous year completed tax return
- ✓ Government-issued documentation for other nonwage income such as Social Security, Worker's Comp, Cash Assistance, Child Support, Alimony, Veteran's Benefits, Retirement, or Pension
- ✓ Previous three (3) months of bank statements
- ✓ Letter from employer
- ✓ If self-employed: prior year tax return <u>or</u> most recent three (3) months of bank statements

WHAT DISCOUNT WILL I RECEIVE?

Below is a table displaying the 2024 Federal Poverty Guidelines (FPG). Only patients reporting a family income at or below 200% of FPG will qualify. Columns A through D are eligible for discounted services. Column E (above 200% FPG) must pay in full for charges and will not receive a discount. If you fall within Column E, you are not eligible to participate in the program.

MONTHLY INCOME												
Discount Class		Α		В		С		D		E		
FPG		0-100%		>100-133%		>133-166%		>166-200%		>200%		
4	1	\$0	\$1,255	\$1,256	\$1,669	\$1,670	\$2,083	\$2,084	\$2,510	\$2,511	& Up	
	2	\$0	\$1,703	\$1,704	\$2,265	\$2,266	\$2,828	\$2,829	\$3,407	\$3,408	& Up	
	3	\$0	\$2,152	\$2,153	\$2,862	\$2,863	\$3,572	\$3,573	\$4,303	\$4,304	& Up	
	4	\$0	\$2,600	\$2,601	\$3,458	\$3,459	\$4,316	\$4,317	\$5,200	\$5,201	& Up	
	5	\$0	\$3,048	\$3,049	\$4,054	\$4,055	\$5,060	\$5,061	\$6,097	\$6,098	& Up	
	6	\$0	\$3,497	\$3,498	\$4,651	\$4,652	\$5,804	♦ \$5,805	\$6,993	\$6,994	& Up	
	7	\$0	\$3,945	\$3,946	\$5,247	\$5,248	\$6,549	\$6,550	\$7,890	\$7,891	& Up	
	8	\$0	\$4,393	\$4,394	\$5,843	\$5,844	\$7,293	\$7,294	\$8,787	\$8,788	& Up	
	9	\$0	\$4,842	\$4,843	\$6,439	\$6,440	\$8,037	\$8,038	\$9,683	\$9,684	& Up	
	10	\$0	\$5,290	\$5,291	\$7,036	\$7,037	\$8,781	\$8,782	\$10,580	\$10,581	& Up	

FPG: Federal Poverty Guidelines, published by HHS, effective 01/17/2024
For families/households with more than 10 persons, add \$448 for each additional person

EXAMPLE 1

Susan is a single mother of two young children, Susan also cares for her mother, who lives with her and her children. Susan's family size is 4. Susan is the only person in her family earning income. Susan earns \$2,700 per month in income. Susan belongs to Discount Class B.

EXAMPLE 2

Jose is married to his wife Miranda. They have three young children who live with them. Jose earns \$2,800 per month at his job. Jose's wife earns \$2,700 per month. Together, the couple earns \$5,500 per month. Jose's family size is 5. Jose belongs to Discount Class D.

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WHAT AM I RESPONSIBLE TO PAY?

Once you figure out what Discount Class you belong to (A-D), discounts vary depending on the service you are using at the time of your service. Services are broken into groups and include medical, reproductive health, dental, behavioral health, and pharmacy.

<u>Discounts apply to clinical services</u>. Note that dental and pharmacy supplies and equipment have separate discounts because they are not clinical services.

	Α	В	С	D	E		
Medical & Clinical					100% of Full		
Pharmacy Services	\$25	\$35	\$40	\$45	Charges		
Reproductive Health		ASK FOR A COPY OF THE					
Services	\$0	0 REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH SERVICES PROGRAM DISCOUNT SC					
Dental		50% of Full	60% of Full	70% of Full	100% of Full		
Services*	\$25	Charges	Charges	Charges	Charges		
Dental Supplies &	50% of Full	50% of Full	60% of Full	70% of Full	100% of Full		
Equipment*	Charges	Charges	Charges	Charges	Charges		
Behavioral Health					100% of Full		
Services	\$5	\$10	\$15	\$20	Charges		
Pharmacy Dispensed	\$5 Dispensing	\$8 Dispensing	\$10 Dispensing	\$12 Dispensing			
Prescription	Fee + Discounted	Fee + Discounted	Fee + Discounted	Fee + Discounted	100% of Full		
Fees**	Medication Cost	Medication Cost	Medication Cost	Medication Cost	Charges		

^{*\$25} payment expected at the time of service.

EXAMPLE 1

I belong to Discount Class B. I came in today for a medical visit with my Doctor. I am responsible to pay \$35 for my visit. The remainder of my charges will be adjusted by NHC so that \$35 is my only responsibility.

EXAMPLE 3

I belong to Discount Class D. I came in today for an appointment to discuss my diabetes with a behavioral health consultant. I am responsible to pay \$20 for my visit. The remainder of my charges will be adjusted by NHC so that \$5 is my only responsibility.

EXAMPLE 2

I belong to Discount Class C. I came in today for a dental exam and cleaning. The total of these charges was \$300. I am responsible to pay 60% of these charges. The remainder of my charges will be adjusted by NHC so that \$180 is my only responsibility (\$180 = 60% of \$300 charges).

EXAMPLE 4

I belong to Discount Class A. I would like to speak with my Doctor about different kinds of birth control. This service is free of charge so I owe nothing for this visit.

REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH SERVICES

The discount schedule above does not apply to reproductive health services offered at NHC. The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) has developed a separate schedule of discounts for these services. If your family income is at or below 250% of Federal Poverty Guidelines (FPG), you qualify for discounted reproductive health services. If your family income is at or below 100% of FPG, these services are free to use. **Refer to the REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH SERVICES PROGRAM DISCOUNT SCHEDULE for discounts.**



I NEED MORE INFORMATION

Not sure who to include in your family size? Not sure what to bring to prove your income? Not sure what discount class you will qualify for? Not sure what you will be charged for a specific service?

Ask the front desk staff at your NHC clinic to answer any additional questions you have.

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^{**}Ask your Pharmacist for a quote on your medications. Call 503-941-3160 for more information.