

#### Charity Care/Financial Assistance Application Form Instructions

This is an application for financial assistance (also known as charity care) at Providence.

**Federal and state law requires all hospitals to provide financial assistance** to people and families who meet certain income requirements. You may qualify for free care or discounted care based on your family size and income, even if you have health insurance. To view our financial assistance policy and slide scale guidelines, please go to the hospital specific website from www.stjhs.org or to the hospital website from www.covenanthealth.org.

<u>What does financial assistance cover</u>? The medical financial assistance covers medically necessary care provided by one of our hospitals or clinics within our family of organizations depending upon your eligibility. Financial assistance may not cover all health care costs, including services provided by other organizations.

**If you have questions or need help completing this application**: Our financial assistance policies, information about the programs, and the application materials are available on our website or via phone. You may obtain help for any reason, including disability and language assistance. Translated written documents available upon request.

Here's how to contact us: www.covenanthealth.org Customer Service Representatives at: 503-215-7575 or 855-229-6466 Monday-Friday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

In order for your application to be processed, you must:

**D** Provide us information about your family

Fill in the number of family members in your household (family includes people related by birth, marriage, or adoption who live together)

- Provide us information about your family's gross monthly income (income before taxes and deductions) to include pay stubs, W-2 forms, tax returns, social security awards letters, and statements for income drawn from assets, and declare and provide documentation for assets.<sup>1</sup> (see financial assistance application Income Section for more examples)
- □ Attach additional information if needed
- **Given Sign and date the financial assistance form**

**Note: You do not have to provide a Social Security number to apply for financial assistance**. If you provide us with your Social Security number, your Social Security number may be used to identify you or used to verify information provided to us. If you do not have a Social Security number, please mark "not applicable" or "NA."

**Mail completed application with all documentation to**: Covenant Health, Attn: Financial Assistance, P.O. Box 3299 Portland, OR 97208-3395 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. Be sure to keep a copy for yourself.

**To submit your completed application in person:** Provide to a representative in the hospital admitting department. We will notify you of the final determination of eligibility and appeal rights, if



applicable, between 14 and 30 days of receiving a complete financial assistance application, including documentation of income.

By submitting a financial assistance application, you give your consent for us to make necessary inquiries to confirm financial obligations and information.

<sup>1</sup> Except as may be prohibited by state law, Providence will collect and consider information related to assets as required by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for Medicare cost reporting.

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We want to help. Please submit your application promptly. You may continue to receive billing statements until we receive your completed application and required documentation unless prohibited by your state's charity care laws.



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Please fill out all information completely. If it does not apply, write "NA." Attach additional pages if needed. SCREENING INFORMATION

Do you need an interpreter? **• Yes • No** If Yes, list preferred language:

Has the patient applied for Medicaid? □ Yes □ No Is the patient Blind? □ Yes □ No Is the patient Disabled? □ Yes □ No

Does the patient receive state public services such as TANF, Basic Food, or WIC?  $\Box$  Yes  $\Box$  No

Is the patient currently homeless?  $\hfill\square$  Yes  $\hfill\square$  No

Is the patient's medical care need related to a car accident or work injury?  $\Box$  Yes  $\Box$  No

PLEASE NOTE

- We cannot guarantee that you will qualify for financial assistance, even if you apply.
- Once you send in your application, we may check all the information and may ask for additional information or proof of income.

•	Within 14-30 days after we receive your completed application and documentation, we will notify you of our
	determination.

PATIENT AND APPLICANT INFORMATION					
Patient first name	Patient middle name		Patient last name		
🗆 Male 🛛 Female	Birth Date		Patient Social Security Number		
Other (may specify)			(optional)		
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Person Responsible for Paying Bill	Relationship to Patient	Birth Date	Social Security Number (optional)		
	Patient				
Mailing Address Main contact number(s)					
			( ) <u> </u>		
	Email Address:				
City State Zip Code					
Employment status of person responsible for paying bill					
Employed (date of hire): □ Unemployed (how long unemployed:)					
□ Self-Employed □ Student	Disabled	Retired	Other		



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#### FAMILY INFORMATION List family members in your household, including you. "Family" includes people related by birth, marriage, or adoption who live together. FAMILY SIZE Attach additional page if needed If 18 years old or If 18 years old or Also applying Date Name Relationship to older: older: Total gross for financial of assistance? Patient Employer(s) name monthly Birth income (before or taxes): source of income Yes/ No Yes/ No Yes/ No Yes/ No All adult family members' income must be disclosed. Sources of income include, for example: Wages- Unemployment-Self-employment-Worker's compensation-Disability-SSI-Child/spousal support-Work study programs (students)- Income drawn from assets for example-stocks, bonds, IRAs, mutual funds, rental income, etc.



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INCOME INFORMATION					
<b>REMEMBER</b> : You must include proof of income with your application.					
You must provide information on your family's income. Income verification is required to determine financial assistance. <u>All family members 18 years old or older must disclose their income. If you cannot provide documentation, you may submit a written signed statement describing your income. Please provide proof for every identified source of income.</u>					
Examples of proof of income include:					
<ul> <li>A "W-2" withholding statement; or</li> </ul>					
Current pay stubs (3 months); or					
<ul> <li>Last year's income tax return, inclu</li> <li>Written signed statements from a</li> </ul>					
<ul> <li>Written, signed statements from employers or others; or</li> <li>Statements of income drawn from assets (stocks, bonds, IRAs, mutual funds, etc); or</li> </ul>					
<ul> <li>Approval/denial of eligibility for unemployment compensation.</li> </ul>					
If you have no proof of income or no income, please attach an additional page with an explanation.					
EXPENSE INFORMATION					
We use this information to get a more complete picture of your financial situation.					
Monthly Essential Living Expenses:					
Rent/mortgage <u>\$</u> Medical Insurance Premiums \$	Medical expenses  \$ Utilities           \$				
Other Debt/Expenses \$	(child support, loans, medications, other)				
ASSET INFORMATION					
This information may only be used in accordance with our policy and the State regulations in which you received care and is collected and considered as required by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) for Medicare cost reporting.					
Current checking account balance	Does your family have these other assets? <b>Please check all that</b>				
S	<b>apply:</b> □ Stocks □ Bonds □ 401K □ Health Savings Account(s)				
Current savings account balance	□ Trust(s)				
Ś	Property (excluding primary residence) Own a business				
	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION				
Please attach an additional page if there is other information about your current financial situation that you would like us to know, such as a financial hardship, excessive medical expenses, seasonal or temporary income, or personal loss.					
	PATIENT AGREEMENT				
I understand that Covenant Health Systems may verify information by reviewing credit information and obtaining information from other sources to assist in determining eligibility for financial assistance or payment plans.					
I affirm that the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand if the financial information I give is determined to be false, the result may be denial of financial assistance, and I may be responsible for and expected to pay for services provided.					
Signature of Person Applying	Date				