

Financial Assistance Policy – Plain Language Summary

SMP Health - St. Aloisius is committed to helping those that are unable to pay for their hospital and/or clinic bills. As part of that commitment, SMP Health - St. Aloisius offers Financial Assistance to those who have a need to receive medically necessary medical services. This is a summary of the SMP Health - St. Aloisius's Financial Assistance Policy.

Availability of Financial Assistance

Financial Assistance is available for those that do not have insurance, those that are underinsured, and those that are ineligible for any government health care program such as Medicaid or Medicare. Financial Assistance is not an insurance program and eligibility will be determined in accordance with procedures involving an assessment of financial need.

Eligibility Requirements

Eligibility for Financial Assistance is determined based on personal and financial information of the household. Patients whose household income is at or below 100% of the Federal Poverty Level are eligible to receive free care. Those with income over 100% the Federal Poverty but at or below 200% would also be eligible for a discount based on a sliding scale. No person eligible for Financial Assistance under the Financial Assistance program will be charged more for emergency care or other medically necessary care than amounts generally billed to individuals who have insurance covering such care. Those with sufficient assets or insurance coverage to pay for hospital care may not be eligible for Financial Assistance.

Services Covered

This policy and procedure pertains to all SMP Health - St. Aloisius facilities. Persons and departments covered by this policy include only SMP Health - St. Aloisius acute, observation, swing-bed, emergency, laboratory, radiology, pharmacy, physical therapy, occupational therapy, cardiac rehab, outpatient facility surgical services, and speech therapy.

This policy does not apply to certain groups of providers that may treat a SMP Health - St. Aloisius patient. See Appendix A for a listing of those groups or providers.

How to Obtain Information

Copies of the Financial Assistance Program Application, the Financial Assistance Policy, and this Plain Language Summary can be obtained free of charge the following ways:

- Visit the SMP Health - St. Aloisius admissions desk or the CFO
- Request the information be mailed out by calling 701-324-4651
- Information can be viewed or downloaded at our website at <https://smphealth.org/stalouisius/resources/>
- Request the information in writing by mail at 325 Brewster St E, Harvey, ND 58341

How to Apply

To apply for financial assistance, submit a completed Financial Assistance Application along with the required supporting documents to:

SMP Health - St Aloisius
Attn: Caring Program
325 Brewster St E, Harvey, ND 58341

Appendix A

Providers and groups **NOT** subject to this policy that may treat St. Aloisius Medical Center Patients. (Last updated (09/30/22))

- Professional charges rendered by the following healthcare professionals are eligible for coverage under this financial assistance policy:
 - Charles Nyhus MD (charges associated with an emergency room visit)
 - Rick Geier MD
 - Imran Dean MD
 - Kim Thorson FNP
 - Tyesha Dent PA
 - Kelly Krohn MD
 - Deborah Buxa FNP
 - Lisa Neumiller FNP
 - Marcia Ketterling FNP
 - Ronald Skipper MD – contracted services
 - Michael Page MD – contracted services
 - Trinity Health contracted CRNA's
 - Sweet Dreams Anesthesia – contracted CRNA's
 - Contracted locum providers from Homestead Recruiters

This policy does not apply to certain groups of providers that may treat St Aloisius Medical Center patients. Professional charges rendered by the following providers are not applicable:

- CHI St Alexius, Bismarck
- Dr. Monte Leidenex - Eye Clinic of North Dakota
- Harvey Ambulance Service
- Sanford AirMed
- NorthStar Criticair/Trinity
- Angel MedFlight
- Avera e-Emergency providers