

NORTHWEST HEALTH SERVICES ~ ~ SLIDING FEE PROGRAM

- Our Sliding Fee discount program is designed to help you pay for services provided by Northwest Health Services (NHS). This includes medical, mental health, dental services and pharmacy.
- Sliding Fee applications are good for April 1st through March 31st and are based on poverty guidelines provided annually by the U. S. Government. You must complete a new application yearly, even if your income has not changed.
- To qualify, bring in your most recent income tax return, the Medicaid “denial” letter or Medicaid/MC+ cards, and the completed Sliding Fee application. Other proof of income may be acceptable if you do not have a tax return or your return will not be an accurate estimate of income for the application year. Please refer to the other types of income information noted on the Sliding Fee application. If you have questions on what is needed for *your* application, ask the receptionists at any Northwest Health Services’ site.
- A Medicaid “denial” letter is required from the Division of Family Services (DFS) office for all families with children under the age of 19 years.
- If your household income or family size changes in any way (goes either up or down) within the year, it is *your* responsibility to notify us.
- You must pay your copay amount when you check in for your appointment.
- If you have insurance, NHS will file your claim. Once the insurance has responded and insurance payment/adjustments have been posted, the Sliding Fee discount will be applied to any patient due balance. If the insurance company sends you a payment or a notice that your claim was denied, you need to bring or mail it to your clinic so your discount can be given. Workers Compensation injuries and Motor Vehicle Accidents will not be given a discount.

- We can only apply Sliding Fee discounts to services given by providers of Northwest Health Services. We cannot discount charges from hospitals, ambulance services, or physicians outside of Northwest Health Services to whom you have been referred. Lab tests ordered by *outside* physicians will not be discounted. Hospital procedures are not subject to discounts but hospital admit, follow-up visits and dismissal charges by Northwest Health Services' providers are eligible for Sliding Fee discounts.
- In-house procedures that are elective/non-preventative are not eligible for Sliding Fee discounts. Elective/non-preventative procedures are routinely denied by Medicare, Medicaid, and Private Insurance as they are not considered a medical necessity (such as circumcision, cosmetic removal of moles and skin tags, etc.).

Any questions? Just call or come into any of our offices and tell them you want to know more about the *Sliding Fee Program and share this information with others!*

Mound City 660-442-5464 Mound City Annex 660-442-5313
Oregon 660-446-3307 King City 660-535-4347
Hamilton Medical Clinic 816-583-2151 Braymer Clinic 660-645-2218
Family Health Center 816-271-7800 Family Medicine Associates 816-232-6818
North End Health Center 816-233-3338 South Side Health Center 816-238-7788
Cainsville Medical Clinic 660-893-5750 Savannah Medical Clinic 816-324-3121
Wathena Medical Clinic 785-989-3122 RAISE clinic 816-233-3699
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Northwest Behavioral Health Services 816-232-4417 or 660-442-5464
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Northwest Dental Services 816-324-5644 Northwest Family Dental 816-364-6444
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Northwest Pharmacy Services 816-583-2881