Financial Assistance Policy

plain language summary



Are you having trouble paying your bill?

Please read below to see if Southern Ohio Medical Center can help. We have different programs that could help in reducing or eliminating the amount of money you owe, available in English and Spanish.

Our Financial Assistance Policy (FAP)

SOMC offers assistance for emergency and other medically necessary care through HCAP and Charity Care Programs. If an account is billed to you, you could apply for HCAP/Charity based on a sliding scale discount from SOMC's normal charges.

Based on information on the financial assistance form you submit to SOMC (which can be found on the back of your billing statement, at www.somc.org or sent to you upon request) along withproof of income, you may be eligible for additional financial assistance under SOMC's Policy. You may receive free or other discounted assistance according to the following sliding scale. Please see below on how to contact SOMC for more information.

	HCAP - Yearly Income	Charity - Yearly Income		
Size	100% Discount	100% Discount	75% Discount	64% Discount
1	Up to \$15,060	Up to \$30,120	\$30,121-\$37,650	\$37,651-\$45,180
2	Up to \$20,440	Up to \$40,880	\$40,881-\$51,100	\$51,101-\$61,320
3	Up to \$25,820	Up to \$51,640	\$51,641-\$64,550	\$64,551-\$77,460
4	Up to \$31,200	Up to \$62,400	\$62,401-\$78,000	\$78,001-\$93,600
5	Up to \$36,580	Up to \$73,160	\$73,161-\$91,450	\$91,451-\$109,740
6	Up to \$41,960	Up to \$83,920	\$83,921-\$104,900	\$104,901-\$125,880

- For families/households with more than 6 persons, add \$10,760 for each additional person to get
- The household income that qualifies for free care.
- Discounts effective 02/01/2024

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Charges Will Not Exceed Amounts Generally Billed

If you receive assistance under our Policy and it does not cover 100% of our charges for the service, you may still be responsible for any balance but you will not be charged more than the amount we generally bill patients having Commercial or Medicare insurance.

You may obtain a copy of our Policy and the Financial Assistance Application Form:
(i) on the SOMC website at www.somc.org under Financial Assistance and (ii) in our Patient Guide, or in our emergency department. In addition, if you provide your mailing address to an SOMC staff member, a copy of the Financial Assistance Policy and Application Form will be mailed to you free of charge.

How to Obtain Information and Assistance Regarding Our Financial Assistance Policy

For information regarding our Financial Assistance Policy and Financial Assistance Application Form, please contact a representative in our Patient Accounting Department at (740) 356-7638.