



FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

In keeping with its mission, Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago is dedicated to making health care services accessible to Illinois' pediatric patients without discrimination based on race, religion, gender, national origin, sexual orientation, or ability to pay. Lurie Children's recognizes and acknowledges the financial needs of patients and families who are unable to afford the charges associated with medical care.

You may be eligible for financial assistance under the terms and conditions the hospital offers to qualified patients. In order to be considered eligible for financial assistance, the patient/family must complete a financial questionnaire. The decision to provide financial assistance will be based on a review of the income and assets and liabilities of the family at the time of admission to the Hospital. However, Lurie Children's understands that financial hardship can arise after an admission to Lurie Children's. Regardless of the timing of the onset of financial hardship, individual circumstances will be evaluated in any request for financial assistance.

The level of financial assistance is based on income level, family size and the Federal poverty guidelines. However, Lurie Children's reserves the right to offer either more or less financial assistance based, among other things, on the net worth, anticipated earnings and current financial obligations of the patient's family. In addition, the following extenuating factors may also be considered: family size; medical status of the family's main provider; employment status along with future earnings potential of the family's main provider; the willingness of the family to work with Lurie Children's in accessing all possible sources of payment; and the amount and frequency of Hospital and health care/medication related bills in relation to all other factors considered. For more information regarding Financial Assistance, call 877-924-8200.

PAYMENT PLANS

Our payment plan program offers an extended payment arrangement for patients and families who may be unable to pay the balance at one time. For more information, please contact Patient Financial Services at toll-free 877-924-8200.

UNINSURED PATIENTS

Serious injury or illness can put a significant financial strain on any family, even more so for families/patients lacking health insurance. Patients without insurance may be eligible for a discount from charges. Additionally, your annual payment obligation may be limited depending on household income and available resources. For more information, please contact Patient Financial Services at toll-free 877-924-8200.

OUT OF NETWORK PROVIDERS

You may receive separate bills for services provided by health care professionals affiliated with the hospital. Some health care professionals who are on the hospital staff may not be participating providers in the same insurance plans and networks as Lurie Children's. In these cases, you may have a greater financial responsibility for these services than where the professionals are under contract with your health care plan. Questions about coverage or benefit levels should be directed to your health care plan and your certificate of coverage.

By signing below, I hereby acknowledge receipt of the above Federal and State Mandatory notices.

Signature of Patient or Personal Representative

_____, 20____
Date of Signature

Time

Patient Name

Relationship of Personal Representative to Patient

Interpreter (as applicable) _____

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