

# Financial Assistance Required Documentation

Along with your application, please include copies of current documentation for the following members living in the household: patient, patient's spouse, patient guarantors, patient's parents, grandparents, in-laws and any children and/or siblings over the age of 18. Separated couples must provide legal proof of separation or spouse's income/signature will be required. If the patient is a college student living on campus, please note we will require parent's household size and income information.

#### 1. All household income (If applicable):

- a. Paystubs-last 4 consecutive paystubs, if paid weekly or 2, if paid bi-weekly, etc.
- b. Documentation for-current year of Social Security award letter, child support, TANF, unemployment, pension or any other source of income received in the last 30 days.
- c. If self-employed, please provide most recent tax return, including all pages of Schedules.
- d. We require a Wage History Report from the Work One office for a patient or family member over the age of 18 with no income. Please provide the "Release of Information" for us to obtain the report, along with a copy of a state identification. If unemployed within the last 30 days, please provide a letter from the previous employer stating termination date.
- e. If the patient has no earned income, we require a support statement from the person providing financial support to the patient, signed by both the patient and supporter.
- f. If a household member, over the age of 18, is a full time high school or college student, and is not receiving income, please provide current semester class schedule.
- g. If a patient has a valid financial determination letter from a Federally Qualified Health Center (Maple City, Vista), we will accept this determination in place of items #1 and #2.
- 2. All pages and transactions of household bank statements:
  - a. Savings, Checking and/or Pre-paid card for the last 30 days
  - b. Certificates of deposits, Money Market accounts, stock and/or bonds and Retirement account statements
- 3. Proof of current residency, with the patient or guarantors name and address. Please choose one of the following:
  - a. Any type of statement, not from Goshen Hospital, paystub or bank statement can be used as proof of residency
  - b. Current Landlord contract, letter from landlord or mortgage statement

## 4. Other information, if applicable:

- a. If uninsured at the time of service, we may require patient to apply and comply with government insurance.
- b. If insured at the time of service but insurance card was not available, please provide front and back copies of the card.
- c. If the patient and/or immediate family member are self-employed and do not file taxes, please provide statements from the customers in the last 30 days, including name, contact information and amount paid.
- d. If a patient has a valid financial determination letter from a Federally Qualified Health Center (Maple City, Vista), we will not require the patient/guarantor to apply and comply with government insurance for non-emergent services.

All information is required in order to process your request for assistance. Upon review of your application, additional documentation may be required. Please be aware that you must have exhausted all other forms of payment in order to qualify for assistance. Failure to provide the required documents will result in denial of your application. Financial Assistance applications are valid for 1 year from date of signature.

Your application and all documents are due back by:

Please mail, fax, or bring your application and documentation to:

Goshen Physicians CPO Attn: PFS PO Box 834 Goshen, IN 46527 Fax (574) 364-2942 If you have any questions, Financial Advocates are located near the Main Lobby in our facility: (574) 364-2607 or for Spanish speakers: (574) 364-2975. To access of our Financial Assistance Policy, Financial Assistance Summary and Financial Assistance application please visit our website at goshenhospitalfinancialassistance.com

\*\*You will be notified by mail within 3-4 weeks to inform you of the decision made regarding your application.\*\*

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## Financial Assistance FAQ's.

If you send the requested documents to us by fax, we receive them sooner than by mail. Please **send copies and not originals**. Please do not send using both methods as this may delay the process.

Please note: if all documents are not submitted, the application will be denied and a letter will be sent to you stating what was missing.

The Financial Assistance process takes about 4 weeks to process from the date of receipt of all documents. If your account is still out to insurance, please allow additional time to complete the process as we must wait until your insurance processes your claim(s).

If you have a new service/account, please contact our office to check if the application is still valid to apply the current assistance amount.

Please note, if you have a large number of accounts, you may receive more than one letter regarding Financial Assistance. Please keep track of your accounts/statements and match them to the determination letter(s).

If you are a patient from a Federally Qualified Health Center who received assistance from a FQHC, please provide a letter from the facility stating the level of assistance you received.

#### 1. I have submitted my application, what do I do now?

✓ If your application is complete and insurance has paid their portion, please allow up to 4 weeks to process.

2. Do I have to make a payment while my application is being evaluated?

 $\checkmark$  No. We ask that you do not make any payments on the current accounts that are being evaluated.

- 3. What if the account goes to collections while my application is being evaluated?
  - $\checkmark$  We place your accounts on hold so they do not follow the collections process.
- 4. My application was denied because I did not submit the appropriate documents. Can I re-apply?
  - ✓ You may still continue with the assistance if you submit the appropriate documents and if you are within the timeline allowed to apply. There is no need to resubmit another application. Please write the patients name and account number on each item you send.

## 5. My account has already gone to collections. Can I still apply for Financial Assistance?

✓ If it is within 240 days from the first statement which was sent out, then yes. It if has been longer than 240 days, we cannot provide assistance. Please note, if we grant assistance on an account that has already gone to collections, the account will remain open at the collections agency until a determination has been made. We will adjust the original balance if assistance is applied and will forward the information to the agency.

#### 6. I have multiple accounts and will continue to have services. Will all my accounts be combined?

- ✓ No. We do assistance on the accounts that have been processed by insurance. It is your responsibility to contact us within 10 days of the dated letter to set up a payment plan on any remaining balance(s).
- 7. Does Financial Assistance cover my bills from the physician, Radiology Inc., APOGEE, Gerig Surgical and other outside providers?
  - ✓ No. Please contact each provider to inquire on financial assistance options for their bills.

## 8. I already made a few payments on my account. Will that be refunded to me?

✓ We will take your payments into consideration while evaluating the assistance and will refund if appropriate.

#### 9. Do I need to fill out an application for each of my family members?

 $\checkmark$  If you have questions about this, please call our office as situations may vary.

#### 10. I have already submitted an application but I continue to receive statements and late fees are being added.

✓ When we receive a complete application, we place your accounts on hold so they do not continue the collection process. However, the statements are automatically generated, so we are not able to put a hold on those. If late fees are added, we will remove them once we determine the level of assistance approved.

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This application will be evaluated to determine if you qualify for financial assistance. Fill it out as thoroughly as possible. If you are applying on behalf of someone else, please answer questions using the patient's information. If a question does not apply to you, please write "N/A."

## **Patient Information**

## Application for Financial Assistance

		Account Number(s):			
First Manage	1 4 N		Social Socuri	ty Number	Date of Birth
First Name	Last Name	MI	Social Securi	ty Number	Date of birth
Home Address			Mailing Address *If different		
City	State	Zip	City	State	Zip
County Of Residence			Contact Phone Number		
Household Inform Please list all people	<b>nation</b> e living in the household.				
	Name	Date of Birth	Relation	ship to Patient	Does the member have hospital accounts with
					current balances?

## **Income Information**

Please complete this section about the gross income of each household member.

Name of Household Member	Amount	How Often	Employer Name & Phone
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## Other Income

Please complete this s		•	ome, other than a		
Type of Income	Amount	How Often		Name of Recipient	
Social Security					
Child Support					
Unemployment					
TANF					
Rental Income					
Retirement Benefits/ Pensions					
Other (Describe)					
Do you expect a chanថ <b>Assets</b>	l ge in your income in th	e next 3 months? Y	es/No		Continue>
Do you have any bank Checking Balance Savings Balance CD's	accounts? Yes/No	Name of Ban Name of Ban Name of Ban	k		
Insurance					
Does the patient have	medical insurance?		Yes / No		
Does the patient partic Liberty Health Share, Share)? If yes, please provide	Samaritan Ministries, (	Christian Health	Yes / No		
Has the patient applie					
If yes, please provide		120 dayo.	Yes / No		
Is COBRA available to If so, when was emplo			Yes / No		
Spouse/Guarantor	Spouse Information	n			
Spouse Full Name			1		
Social Security Numbe	er	Date of Birth	-		

Date of Birth

#### Patient Agreement

I/We hereby apply for financial support for services rendered by a Goshen Health facility. I/We certify that the information provided by me and contained hereon is true, accurate, and correct to the best of my knowledge. I hereby authorize Goshen Health and its assignees to order a consumer credit report or verify other credit information. I/We hereby give consent to Goshen Health to verify all statements made on the Financial Assistance Application.

In the event the undersigned, the patient, or any other person on the patient's behalf are entitled to receive insurance benefits because of services rendered to the patient by any Goshen Health facility, said insurance benefits are hereby assigned to Goshen Health for application against said patient's hospital bill. It is further agreed that Goshen Health or any of its facilities may issue a receipt to said insurance company for any such payment thereby releasing said insurance company from any and all obligations under the insurance policy to the extent of the payment. The undersigned and the patient, however, remain responsible for the hospital charges not covered by this assignment in the event this application for assistance is denied.

Goshen Health reserves the right to re-evaluate this application for assistance should additional information become available after a determination has been made. I/We know that anyone who makes or causes to be made false statement commits a crime punishable by law, and can be fined or jailed for fraud and/or perjury.

Patient/Guarantor Signature	Date
Patient/Guarantor Spouse Signature	Date
(To be completed by the person prov	<b>rt Statement</b> /iding support if the patient has no income) oviding financial support. Below is a list of services
	given is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. me financially responsible for the medical charges.
Signature:	Date:
Patient Name (from page #1):	
whether you are within our service area, plea	rea are not eligible for Financial Assistance. If you are unsure ase contact a Financial Advocate at 574-364-4727. ated 02/2021
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WOR	KFORCE
	orkone centers
RELEASE O	F INFORMATION
*NAME OF APPLICANT (PRINT)	
*SOCIAL SECURITY:	
*CURRENT DATE:	

I authorize the Indiana Department of Workforce Development to release all wage and unemployment benefit information to the agency listed below.

**\*SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT** 

Check this box if Power of Attorney is attached

By signing below you agree that you understand that data we release to you is protected under state law (IC 22-4-19-6) and federal regulations (20 CFR § 603.5) as confidential information. You also confirm that you have verified the applicant's identity by viewing some type of photo identification.

<u>\*NOTE: RELEASE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN 90 DAYS OF APPLICANT SIGNING</u> <u>RELEASE FORM.</u>

\*Signature of Requestor: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Requesting Agency:

Fax Number:	

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*REQUIRED FIELDS:** For questions email **EmployVerification@dwd.IN.gov**