

# **New York Community Hospital of Brooklyn Charity Care/Financial Aid Fee Scaling Policy Summary**

New York Community Hospital has a long-standing policy to assist patients who receive health care services at our hospital and are in need of financial aid, regardless of age, gender, race, national origin, socio-economic or immigrant status, sexual orientation or religious affiliation.

## **If you have a financial obligation to New York Community Hospital of Brooklyn (NYCH), and believe you cannot afford to pay, NYCH has a Charity Care/Financial Aid Policy which can assist qualified patients**

Residents of New York State may qualify for Charity Care/Financial Aid for medically necessary emergency services. Residents of NYCH's primary service area may qualify for Charity Care/Financial Aid for medically necessary non-emergency services.

Patients who meet the above criteria and have incomes below the amounts shown below may be eligible for Charity Care/Financial Aid. Applicants may be asked for net assets, as defined in the Charity Care Policy.

<b>Persons in Family or Household</b>	<b>INCOME (EFF. 1/31/2018)</b>
1	\$48,560
2	\$65,840
3	\$83,120
4	\$100,400
For each additional person, add:	\$17,280

- Charity Care/Financial Aid eligibility will generally be determined upon completion of a Charity Care/Financial Aid application.
- The policy does not apply to physicians or other providers who independently bill for their services.

### **WHAT KIND OF ASSISTANCE CAN I GET?**

- Hospital will not charge patients eligible for its Charity Care program more than amounts generally billed (AGB), to individuals who have insurance for emergency or other medically necessary care. For all other care, an eligible individual may not be charged more than Hospital's gross charges. The Hospital calculates the AGB using the prospective method, and bases that rate on current New York State fee-for-service Medicaid rates.
- An installment payment plan will be made available to eligible patients.
- Once your application has been submitted, you may disregard any bills until we have rendered a decision on that application.

### **HOW CAN I APPLY OR GET ANSWERS TO MY QUESTIONS?**

The Charity Care Policy, Summary, and application are available at our Admitting Offices or on our website at [www.nych.com](http://www.nych.com) under the Financial Aid section.

Information regarding eligibility for Charity Care/Financial Aid and the application process is available from the Admitting or Financial Offices or by calling us at (718) 692- 8729
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