



FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Uninsured?

Having Trouble Paying Your Hospital Bill?

Bucktail Medical Center (BMC) has a Financial Assistance Policy that may help you
This hospital provides free care to persons who qualify. If you cannot afford the cost of care, you are encouraged to apply for free care.

State Programs are available to help

Pennsylvania Medicaid (Medical Assistance) offers assistance to low-income individuals;
CHIP (Children's Health Insurance Program) offers assistance for children not covered by Medicaid;
Other programs may be offered as well. For more information or to apply, contact:
PA Medicaid – call: 1-866-550-4355 or contact your local County Assistance Office;
CHIP – call: 1-8000-986-5437; or see the reverse side of this notice.

Apply for programs online at: <https://www.compass.state.pa.us/Compass.Web/public/cmphome>

Our Billing Office can help you determine the need for Financial Assistance. There is no fee for BMC to help you. Options can include: free medical care; discounted rates; payment plans; prompt payment discounts; assistance with application(s) to Pennsylvania Medicaid and CHIP (Children's Health Insurance Program).

You may be required to apply for Medicaid as part of the application process.

Eligibility for Financial Assistance will be based on income, family size, assets and estimated expenses. You will need to complete an application and provide all requested information in order to be considered for financial assistance. If you qualify, you will not be charged the full amount of the medical services and, depending on income level, may reduce your bill by 100% to 50% and in no case will you be charged more than the amount generally billed (AGB) (which is approximately 51% of full charge). The amount generally billed (AGB) is an amount billed to Government and private insurances that have negotiated lower fees for hospital services than what a person with no insurance has to pay (full charge).

Some services are NOT covered by our Financial Assistance Policy

BMC has some services provided through contracts for physicians. These physician services cannot be covered under our Policy because we do not bill for these services. These services include: ER physician services; X-Ray interpretations; Physician Visits during Acute/Inpatient, Swing Bed, or Skilled Nursing stays.

Where to get information/How to Apply

Financial Assistance Application forms and the Financial Assistance Policy and Billing & Collection Policy are available at the BMC Registration Desk, BMC Billing Office, Community Clinic or can be obtained by calling 570-923-1000 and requesting copies be mailed to you. All forms are free of charge.

When you've completed an application with documentation, mail everything or return in person to:
Bucktail Medical Center, Financial Assistance, 1001 Pine Street, Renovo PA 17764

Please call 570-923-1000 if you have any questions about the Financial Assistance Policy or want to inquire about your application status.

How to Apply for Medical Assistance (This hospital can assist you with all applications)

There are a couple of different ways to apply for Medical Assistance, please choose the option that suits you. If you do not know if you are eligible, you may still apply and/or contact the BMC Billing Office for assistance.

1. You can apply for or renew your Medical Assistance benefits online by using **COMPASS**. COMPASS is the name of the website where you can apply for Medical Assistance and many other services that can help you make ends meet.
<https://www.compass.state.pa.us/compass.web/Public/CMPHome>
2. You can apply by telephone for Health Care Coverage by calling the Consumer Service Center for Health Care Coverage at **1-866-550-4355**.
3. You can also apply for Medical Assistance by contacting your local **county assistance office**:

Clinton County Assistance Office
300 Bellefonte Avenue, Suite 101
Lock Haven, PA 17745-1929

Toll Free: 1-800-820-4159
Phone: 570-748-2971
LIHEAP 570-893-4409
FAX: 570-893-2973

OFFICE HOURS: 7:30 AM to 5 PM

4. Or, you can download an application form to send to your **county assistance office**. If you need help completing the application form, a county assistance office staff member can help you. To download an application, go to: <http://www.dhs.pa.gov/applyforbenefits/index.htm>



I want my child to be **strong.**

chip Strong

CHIP, short for the Children's Health Insurance Program, helps keep kids strong.

CHIP COVERS

- Routine checkups
- Prescriptions
- Hospitalization
- Dental
- Eye care
- Even more!

APPLY TODAY

CHIPcoversPAkids.com
800-986-KIDS (5437)

There is no limit on income. If your income is below CHIP guidelines, your child may be enrolled in Medical Assistance.