

Healthy Lives, LLC SLIDING SCALE FEE POLICY 2024

At Healthy Lives, LLC we are dedicated to providing quality mental health/substance use services, education, and guidance in promoting health and wellness to all patients regardless of financial barriers. If you are uninsured and/or have a low income, you may qualify for a sliding fee for your services. This program is made available by Healthy Lives to provide care for people who otherwise may be unable to see a therapist or counselor.

Eligibility Criteria

If you are uninsured and your family has a total household income less than 200% of the federal poverty level, you may qualify for a discount on our original fees. Income means your paycheck before deductions, pension, retirement, social security income, cash, child support, alimony, workers compensation payments, etc. from all sources in the household (self, spouse, mother, father, dependent children under 18).

Criteria considered in determining eligibility for a sliding fee include, but are not limited to:

- The household's gross income, based on total family members.
- The patient's employment status.
- Special circumstances that impact your ability to pay for medical care.

Supporting documentation may include the following:

- One month income verification (prior month of date of application) in the form of pay stubs, bank deposits, etc.
- Documentation showing you are currently receiving state/federal services (SSI, free lunch program, TANF, other public assistance programs, etc.)
- The prior year's tax returns

Application Process

Please contact our office at (443) 219-7901 to complete the application. All documentation requested must be presented within thirty (30) days of your application being submitted. Our office will review the application and notify you of your eligibility for a sliding fee within ten (10) business days. All applicants will initially be eligible for the sliding fee scale until the final decision is made or forty five (45) days from submission of application (whichever comes first). The sliding fee eligibility status is in effect for six months from the date your application. All applicants must re-apply, furnish proof of income, and be current with any payment arrangements for our office to continue eligibility approval.

Annual Income for Sliding Scale Consideration						
	100%	125%	150%	175%	200%	>200%
Family Size	Minimum fee \$10	Pay 20%	Pay 40%	Pay 60%	Pay 80%	Pay 100%
1	\$ 15,060.00	\$ 18,825.00	\$ 22,590.00	\$ 26,355.00	\$ 30,120.00	\$ 30,121.00
2	\$ 20,440.00	\$ 25,550.00	\$ 30,660.00	\$ 35,770.00	\$ 40,880.00	\$ 40,881.00
3	\$ 25,820.00	\$ 32,275.00	\$ 38,730.00	\$ 45,185.00	\$ 51,640.00	\$ 51,641.00
4	\$ 31,200.00	\$ 39,000.00	\$ 46,800.00	\$ 54,600.00	\$ 62,400.00	\$ 62,401.00
5	\$ 36,580.00	\$ 45,725.00	\$ 54,870.00	\$ 64,015.00	\$ 73,160.00	\$ 73,161.00
6	\$ 41,960.00	\$ 52,450.00	\$ 62,940.00	\$ 73,430.00	\$ 83,920.00	\$ 83,921.00
7	\$ 47,340.00	\$ 59,175.00	\$ 71,010.00	\$ 82,845.00	\$ 94,680.00	\$ 94,681.00
8	\$ 52,720.00	\$ 65,900.00	\$ 79,080.00	\$ 92,260.00	\$ 105,440.00	\$ 105,441.00
For each additional person	\$ 5,380.00	\$ 6,725.00	\$ 8,070.00	\$ 9,415.00	\$ 10,760.00	\$ 10,760.00