

## SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS AND APPLICATION

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Banner Health offers Financial Assistance Programs to Uninsured, Underinsured and Medically Indigent patients. This policy only applies to Banner hospitals and not to other BH facilities such as ASCs, imaging, or urgent care. An <u>Uninsured Patient</u> means a patient without Third-Party Insurance and who is not enrolled in a government insurance program. Uninsured Patients are initially charged the Self-Pay Rate for Covered Services. An <u>Underinsured Patient</u> means a patient with Third-Party Insurance coverage, but with financial limitations or co-responsibility, including deductibles, co-payments, and co-insurance, has out-of-pocket expenses that exceed his/her financial abilities. A <u>Medically Indigent Patient</u> means a household with medical expenses incurred during the previous 12 months, where the portion for which the household is responsible exceeds 50% of the household's total income for that year. For the purposes of determining whether a household is a Medically Indigent Household, all medical expenses are included, including non-BH medical expenses.

If you are an Uninsured patient, you may qualify for a discounted rate if you do not meet the qualifications for the Financial Assistance Program based on Federal Poverty Level guidelines. Qualification for the discounted care means, you will be charged 1.25 x AGB (Amounts Generally Billed,) which is based upon the average of the amounts that would have been paid to the Hospital by private health insurers and Medicare (and co-pays and deductibles) for the medically necessary services you receive if you had been insured.

If you are an Uninsured patient, you will qualify for BH Financial Assistance (1) if you have an annual household income and household size that is equal to or less than 400% of the Federal Poverty Level and lack other assets to pay the Hospital's full charges and, (2) if requested to do so by the Hospital, you apply for Medicaid/AHCCCS, fully cooperate in the application and determination process, or are unable to reasonably complete the application process, and are denied Medicaid/AHCCCS coverage.

If you are an Underinsured patient, you may qualify for BH Financial Assistance for Underinsured/Balance After Insurance discount. You will need to apply for consideration and meet both Hospital bill balance requirements stated in the Financial Assistance Policy and Federal Poverty Level guidelines.

If you qualify for BH Financial Assistance, you will in no case be charged more than Amounts Generally Billed for emergency services or other medically necessary services. In addition, you will never be required to make advance payment or other payment arrangements to receive emergency services. However, to receive non-emergent services, you will be required in most situations to make a substantial advance deposit or other payment arrangements based upon an estimate of the Amounts Generally Billed.

A free copy of the hospital's financial assistance policy, the billing and collections policy, and the application forms are available on the Banner Health website at <u>Bannerhealth.com</u>. Spanish translation of this Summary, the Hospital's financial assistance and billing policies, and the applications forms are available on the Banner and Hospital websites and in the hospital's Admitting area. Copies are also available by mail by contacting Banner Patient Financial Services at (888) 264-2127. The Banner Patient Financial Services staff is available to answer questions and provide information about the Financial Assistance Programs, the application process and nonprofit organizations and government agencies that can assist with these applications. Please contact (888) 264-2127 if you have further questions.

Hospital Bill Complaint Program – The Hospital Bill Complaint Program is a state program, which reviews hospital decisions about whether you qualify for help paying your hospital bill. If you believe you were wrongly denied financial assistance, you may file a complaint with the Hospital Bill Complaint Program. Go to HospitalBillComplaintProgram.hcai. ca.gov for more information and to file a complaint.

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Banner Health c/o PBM	Current Date: Patient Name:
BannerFAApplications@bannerhealth.com	Birth Date: Facility: Date of Svc:

Instructions: Complete application and include the following documentation and return to address or email above.

- \*\*Not applicable for NHSC locations including: Fallon, NV, Femley, NV, Susanville, CA Payson Primary Care, AZ, Payson OBGYN, AZ and Maricopa, AZ
- Proof of income. Acceptable documents include:

Description:

1.

2.

- If currently employed, copies of last three (3) most recent consecutive payroll stubs (patient, guarantor and spouse)
  - If self-employed, a copy of Federal tax form Schedule C or other proof of income and expenses
  - If retired and/or receiving Social Security, a copy of SSA 1099 form or reward letter\*\*
  - If Unemployed, a copy of your prior year's federal income tax return, unemployment reward letter or self-declaration of income letter.\*\*
  - Determination of State or government assistance (Medicaid/AHCCCS)\*\*
  - If requested, copies of non-Banner medical bills\*\*

Applicant Information		
Applicant/Guarantor Name:	Social Security Number:**	
Address:		
Birth Date:		
Phone Number:		
Employer:	Employment Status:	
Length of Employment:	Unemployed Date/Length:	
Spouse or Partner Information		
Name:		
Employer:		
Birth Date:		
Phone Number:		
Dependent Information		
Name:	Relationship:	Birthdate: (mm/dd/yyyy)
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2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		
6.		
Other Income		

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**Monthly Amount:** 

\$

\$



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Return to:	Current Date:
Banner Health c/o PBM	Patient Name:
PO Box 743711, Los Angeles, CA 90074-3711	Birth Date:
	Facility:
Barrieri 744ppiication3@barrieriicatti.com	Date of Svc:

Medical Information			
Type of Debt / to Whom:	Unpaid Balance:	Monthly Payment:	
1. (Doctor)	\$	\$	
2. (Hospital)	\$	\$	
3. (Imaging)	\$	\$	
4. (DME/Home Care)	\$	\$	
5. (Ambulance)	\$	\$	
6.	\$	\$	

I would like to participate in Banner Health's financial assistance program and understand all disclosed personal information is for the sole purpose of determining my eligibility. Banner Health will keep this secure and confidential.

The information I have provided is accurate to the best of my knowledge. It has been explained to me and I agree as a condition of my qualifying for financial assistance from Banner Health, should I qualify and receive assistance, any third-party funding I receive or become eligible to receive, pursuant to ARS Sec. 33-931, et seq., Arizona's health care lien statute, or applicable statutes, may be considered and recovered by Banner Health to address and offset the financial assistance discount provided to me.

Responsible Party Signature:	Date/Time:
Print Name:	
Spouse or Partner Signature:	Date/Time:
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Print Name:	

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