

Blackstone Valley Community Health Care Inc Reduced Fee Application

Blackstone Valley Community Health Care Inc (BVCHC) is a non-profit community health center. We receive limited funding from many different sources so that we can provide medical and dental care based on a reduced fee schedule for our self-pay and under-insured patients. Reductions in charges are determined by Family Size and Household Income. The income guidelines are a percentage of the current year's Federal Poverty Guidelines.

In order to qualify for a reduction in charges we must receive a completed application with proper documentation and proof of income. The income documents will remain on file and all information gathered in this application process will be highly confidential.

If approved, the application is valid for a period of one year*, after which you will be required to submit a new application and new income documents. **You may request and appointment with an Outreach and Enrollment Coordinator to assist you with the application process.**

The following checklist will assist you in providing a completed application. You will need:



Completed Application Form

- List ALL members of your household on the application
- Supply income documents for qualified household members
 - Age 18 and older if employed
 - If 18+, no income and Full time Student, please indicate FTS
 - If 18+, no income, not a student – Support Letter will be needed



Acceptable Forms of Income Documentation Include:

- Prior Year W2 Form from Employer – can only be used from January 1 through April 30 each year. After April 30, must use 1040 Tax Return Form
- If paid Weekly – Requires 4 current and consecutive pay stubs, must show gross income
- If paid Bi-weekly – Requires 2 current and consecutive pay stubs, must show gross income
- Letter from your Employer
 - Company letterhead is preferred, but not required
 - Letter must have Name of Company, Name and Title of person signing and a contact telephone number
 - Letter must include Hourly Wage Amount and total number of hours worked per week
- Federal Form 1040 Tax Return for the most current Tax Filing Year
- Federal Form 4506-T – Transcript of Tax Return for most current filing year
- If Self-Employed – details of the most recent 3 months of income and expenses from the business
 - If no documents available, complete the Self Declaration of Income Form
 - * If the Self Declaration of Income Form is approved, it will only be valid for a maximum of 3-6 months. A new application and income verification will be required no later than every 6 months



Received By: _____
 Date Received: _____

Today's Date: _____

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Last Name, First Name	Relationship (Self, spouse, partner, child, friend, etc.)	Date of Birth	If applicable, Medical Insurance Carrier and ID number	Monthly Gross Income	Annual Gross Income	Acct # BVCHC Staff use only

Guarantor's Name: _____ SS#: _____

Address: _____

Home Number: _____ Cell Number: _____

Email: _____

Important Notes:

Documentation of income that can be used to evaluate eligibility for reduced fees might include:

1. Most recent copy of Federal Income Tax filings for anyone living in the household.
2. Last 4 paystubs for anyone living in the household over the age of 18.
3. A Letter from employer/person you are working for.
4. We can consider the last few Bank statements provided all the deposits are supported with appropriate documentation.

*Beginning on 1/1/2009, once determined that you are eligible for reduced fees the eligibility is valid through 4/30/2010. New documentation of income must be re-submitted for re-evaluation of eligibility for visits after 5/1/2010.

*New documentation of income must also be re-submitted and re-verified if there is any change in the household size and/or change in the gross household income.

*Once it is determined that you are eligible for reduced rates, we can apply that reduced rate to qualifying visits.

*There is a \$20.00 minimum fee due at time of visit for all patients who qualify for a reduced fee. Please note that this amount may change depending on the services provided to you during your visit. If you are determined to be ineligible for reduced fees, then the full charge(s) for each visit is expected at the time of each visit.

*You are not guaranteed reduced rates unless the documentation of income is within the reduced Fee Income Guidelines.

If you have any questions regarding the documentation of income or reduced fee program, please call (401) 729-0081 and ask for a Financial Resource Counselor.

"By signing below, I certify all the information given on this application is correct and completed to the best of my knowledge. I give permission for BVCHC to verify any information needed to determine my eligibility. I understand that all information is confidential and will only be used in connection with enrollment in the reduced fee program."

Patients Signature: _____ Date: _____

TO BE COMPLETED BY BVCHC STAFF ONLY

Proof of income was received and verified: Yes_____ No_____

Initials of employee: _____ Date: _____

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