

## SLIDING FEE SCALE 2024

(Annual income thresholds)

As a HRSA-supported federally qualified health center, Pediatric Care Associates (PCA) provides financial assistance to all patients that apply for and qualify for the sliding fee scale below:

	% of Charge Patient Pays					
Family Unit Size	\$10.00 Nominal Fee	20%	40%	60%	80%	100%
Poverty	100%	125%	150%	175%	200%	201%
1	\$15,060	\$18,825	\$22,590	\$26,355	\$30,120	\$30,271
2	\$20,440	\$25,550	\$30,660	\$35,770	\$40,880	\$41,084
3	\$25,820	\$32,275	\$38,730	\$45,185	\$51,640	\$51,898
4	\$31,200	\$39,000	\$46,800	\$54,600	\$62,400	\$62,712
5	\$36,580	\$45,725	\$54,870	\$64,015	\$73,160	\$73,526
6	\$41,960	\$52,450	\$62,940	\$73,430	\$83,920	\$84,340
7	\$47,340	\$59,175	\$71,010	\$82,845	\$94,680	\$95,153
8	\$52,720	\$65,900	\$79,080	\$92,260	\$105,440	\$105,967

*Note:* The income ceiling for the minimum/nominal fee pay class is equal to the federal poverty level.

- PCA collects only a **nominal fee** of \$10.00 from patients and families with annual incomes at or below 100% of the federal poverty guidelines. If the patient is unable to afford the nominal fee, CHP can waive the fee consistent with its Financial Hardship/Waiver of Fees Policy.
- PCA provides a **partial discount** to patients and families with annual incomes between 100% and 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines. Fees are collected in accordance with the sliding fee scale table above.
- No discounts are provided to patients with incomes over 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines.
- Eligibility must be verified prior to enrollment and may be required quarterly thereafter. Once verified by the Certified Patient Navigator, discount rates are effective upon enrollment and will continue for as long as the patient remains eligible. Discount rates may be retroactive for up to 6 months.
- At the time of verification, the patient receives written notice of which bracket they qualify for on the sliding fee scale. PCA provides a Sliding Fee Scale Letter and Waiver for the relevant services, including the reduced rate, for the patient to sign.
- Separate from this Sliding Fee Discount Program, PCA has additional related policies, including a Hardship Policy and a Self-Pay Policy, that are administered by the Director of Revenue Cycle or the Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer.