

LAKE VILLAGE CLINIC
SLIDING FEE POLICY

Lake Village Clinic (LVC) offers a sliding fee adjustment for patients and members of their families (defined below) who fall below 200% of the federal poverty guidelines, <http://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty>. Income levels are based on total “family” income. The amount of the discounts and the income ranges for those discounts are fixed by the Board of Directors. Income guidelines are reviewed and if needed revised annually.

DEFINITIONS

Family: A family means those persons within the same household (including their dependents/partner) who are applying for the sliding fee discount using their combined income.

Individual: An individual is a person 15 years old or over who has verifiable income.

INCOME VERIFICATION

Income is verified annually. If a patient has a change in their income, it is their responsibility to notify LVC of the change. LVC reserves the right to verify income with an employer at any time.

Patients are required to give at least two of the following documents as verification of income:

1. Previous year tax return
2. Previous year W-2
3. Current pay stubs (last 4 weeks, if possible)
4. Current Information/Check Stub from Unemployment Office.
5. Denied Medicaid application

ELIGIBLE FEES

Only office visits are eligible for the sliding fee. Co-pays, previous charges, medical supplies, x-ray, and other outside services are NOT ELIGIBLE for sliding fee discounts.

MINIMUM CHARGE

There is a minimum charge of \$20 for all sliding fee visits.

PAYMENT FOR SLIDING FEE VISITS

Payment is required when services are rendered. Your sliding fee deduction goes into effect only after you have submitted all required income verification and you are determined to be eligible.

Any application found to contain false or fraudulent information will be dismissed and patients will not be eligible for reapplication for one year from that date.

HOW TO APPLY

Applications are available at our reception area, patient accounts office, insurance office, on-line at <http://www.lakevillagclinic.com> under patient information/sliding fee application.