MEDICAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

through Kaiser Permanente





Some of these organizations may be able to help you. Please contact these or other community organizations in addition to applying for the MFA program. Please visit the Patient Business Office for a complete listing of resources in your area.

American Cancer Society

888-227-6333 cancer.org

The American Cancer Society is the nationwide community-based voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives, and diminishing suffering from cancer, through research, education, advocacy, and service.

American Heart Association 800-242-8721

Possible assistance or referral to another agency for assistance with medication costs.

Copay Relief

866-512-3861

copays.org

Assists patients with copayments related to prescription coverage, chemotherapy and other medication/drug charges. Assistance is available for certain diseases and diagnosis; call for more details to pre-qualify.

Diabetes Association of Atlanta

404-527-1750 diabetesatlanta.org

Diabetes Association of Atlanta is a non profit, community based diabetes service organization, serving individuals affected by the disease.

Georgia Cares

866-552-4464

mygeorgiacares.org

Georgia Cares is a private-public partnership sponsored by the Department of Human Resources, Division of Aging Services and the Area Agency on Aging. It is a volunteer-based program that assists seniors with low cost prescription drug assistance, Medicare, Medicaid, Medicare supplemental insurance (Medigap) long-term care insurance, and other health insurance issues. The program provides objective information to help seniors make informed choices concerning their health insurance needs.

The Healthwell Foundation

800-675-8416

healthwellfoundation.org

Copay and premium assistance M-F 9-5 EST

United Way

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unitedway.org

United Way's mission is to improve lives by mobilizing the caring power of communities. About 1,300 local United Ways raise and invest significant resources to build strong, healthy communities.

The MFA Program can help you

At Kaiser Permanente, we are committed to improving the health of our members and the communities we serve. We encourage our patients to access needed medical services and treatment. We recognize, however, that from time to time some individuals may face financial circumstances that could prevent them from doing so. Through the Medical Financial Assistance (MFA) Program, we may be able to provide financial assistance to help you get the care you need, when you need it.

The MFA Program was established to assist patients with out-of-pocket expenses related to care provided by Kaiser Permanente practitioners. In addition to applying for the MFA program we ask that you also contact community resources. Some agencies who may be able to assist you are listed in this brochure. In addition to applying for community resources, you can begin the application process for the MFA program.

Please visit the Patient Business Office for a complete list of eligibility requirements and/or obtain the necessary forms.

You may also call **404-949-5112** (TTY:**1-800-255-0056**).

Remember, it is very important that you contact your community resources in addition to applying for Medical Financial Assistance through Kaiser Permanente.

^{*} To find out what the current FPL is, visit the United States Department of Health and Human Services online at **aspe.hhs.gov/poverty**



Who is eligible for Financial Assistance and what are the requirements?

The program helps low-income, uninsured, or underserved patients who need help paying for all or part of their medical care. Patients are eligible for Financial Assistance when their Family Household Income is at or below 400% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines (FPG). Evaluation of other criteria may be required. Patients should consult with a Business Office Supervisor to determine eligibility and for assistance applying. Any patient who meets special circumstance criteria may be eligible for financial assistance.

Patients who are eligible for medical financial assistance will not be charged more than amounts generally billed (AGB) for emergency or other medically necessary care to patients with insurance (AGB, as defined by IRS Section 501(r)).

What does the program cover?

The Medical Financial Assistance program covers medically necessary care provided at a Kaiser Permanente medical office or pharmacy, or provided by a Kaiser Permanente physician or Kaiser Permanente provider. The types of services not covered are premiums and dues; hearing aids; cosmetic; non-urgent and other services as defined by the program.

How do I apply? Please request medical financial assistance information from any



IN PERSON

An interview with a Business Office Supervisor is the fastest way to determine MFA eligibility



CALL

1-404-949-5112 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday



BY MAIL

(at no cost) at ATTN:

Patient Financial Services

Nine Piedmont Center 3495 Piedmont Road, NE Atlanta, Georgia 30305-1736 Kaiser Permanente's Medical Financial Assistance program provides financial assistance for qualifying patients who need help paying for emergency or medically necessary care they receive in a Kaiser Permanente medical office or from a Kaiser Permanente provider. Patients must apply and must meet the eligibility requirements listed below to qualify.

Is there language assistance?

Interpreters are available to you at no cost. The Medical Financial Assistance application, policy, and this policy summary may be available in your language. For more information, call 1-404-949-5112 or visit our website at kp.org/mfa/ga.

How can I get a copy of Kaiser Permanente's Financial Assistance policy?

You may request your free copy of Kaiser Permanente's Medical Financial Assistance policy by calling 1-404-949-5112, mailing ATTN: Patient Financial Services, Nine Piedmont Center, 3495 Piedmont Road, NE, Atlanta, Georgia 30305-1736, or visiting our website at kp.org/mfa/ga.

Need help?

For help or questions about the Medical Financial Assistance application process, please call **1-404-949-5112**, or speak to a Business Office Supervisor within the Patient Business Office.

of the following sources:



DOWNLOAD AN APPLICATION

through the Kaiser Permanente Community Benefit website at kp.org/mfa/ga. Please drop off completed applications (including all required documentation and information specified in the application instructions) in person to the Patient Business Office at your local Medical Office Building.

We will review submitted applications once they are complete and we will determine whether you are eligible according to the Kaiser Permanente Medical Financial Assistance Policy. We will not consider incomplete applications, but will notify and provide you an opportunity to send in the missing documentation or information by the required deadline.



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