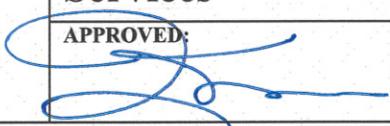


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SUBJECT: FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR MEDICAL CARE		REVISED:	REVIEWED:

The purpose of Cooper Green *Mercy* Health Services, herein referred to as “CGMHS” is to render high quality medical care to the residents of Jefferson County, Alabama, regardless of their ability to pay for those services. Consistent with this purpose, the following policy definitions relative to admission, registration and eligibility determination apply.

1. Jefferson County Indigent – A resident of Jefferson County, Alabama, who presents sufficient documentation that he or she is unable to meet the full cost of his or her medical care, either by direct payment or through third party insurance coverage and who meets Federal Poverty Level (FPL) income criteria of 200% or less.
2. Full Pay Patient – A resident of Jefferson County, Alabama who presents sufficient documentation that he or she is able to meet the full costs of medical care either thorough direct payment or through a third party insurance carrier credentialed with CGMHS and/or residents of the County whose FPL income is greater than 200%.
3. Matrix of Income and Category of Health Care Financial Assistance – Enrolled CGMHS patients are financially classed according to the Matrix of Income and Category. Patients who meet the criteria as outlined in #1 above shall be eligible for CGMHS financial assistance which provides for sliding scale co-payments. These copayments vary by FPL assignment.
4. Jefferson County Resident – An individual who provides sufficient documentation that he or she has continuously resided in the State of Alabama for at least one year and in Jefferson County for at least thirty (30) days.