#### `Texas Nonprofit Hospitals\*

# Part II Summary of Current Hospital Charity Care Policy and Community Benefits for Inclusion in DSHS Charity Care Manual as Required by Texas Health and Safety Code, § 311.0461\*\* 2021

1676223 (Enter 7-digit FID# from attached hospital listing)\*\*\* Facility Identification (FID): Devereux Texas Treatment Network County: Galveston Name of Hospital: Mailing Address: 1150 Devereux Dr., League City, TX 77573 **Physical Address if different from above: Effective Date of the current policy:** 02/01/2021 Date of Scheduled Revision of this policy: 02/01/2022 How often do you revise your charity care policy? Annually Provide the following information on the office and contact person(s) processing requests for charity care. Name of the office/department: Finance 1150 Devereux Dr., League City, TX 77573 Mailing Address: Mary-Laura Hadley Title: Contact Person: Director of Finance (281) 554-2571 \_\_\_\_\_Fax: Phone: (281) 335-1000 Person completing this form if different from above: Phone: Name:

<sup>\*</sup>This summary form is to be completed by each nonprofit hospital. Hospitals in a system must report on an individual hospital basis. Public hospitals, for-profit hospitals participating in the Medicaid disproportionate share hospital program and exempt hospitals are not required to complete this form. This form is only available in PDF format at DSHS web site: <a href="https://www.dshs.texas.gov/chs/hosp/hosp3.aspx">https://www.dshs.texas.gov/chs/hosp/hosp3.aspx</a> under 2021 Annual Statement of Community Benefits Standard.

<sup>\*\*</sup> The information in the manual will be made available for public use. Please report most current information on the charity care policy and community benefits provided by the hospital.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> The list is also available on DSHS web site: <a href="http://www.dshs.texas.gov/chs/hosp/">http://www.dshs.texas.gov/chs/hosp/</a>

#### I. Charity Care Policy:

1. Include your hospital's Charity Care Mission statement in the space below.

To serve the healthcare needs of the community, Devereux Texas Treatment Network will provide charity care without regard to race, creed, color, or national origin to individuals who are classified as financially indigent or medically indigent according to the hospital's eligibility.    

- 2. Provide the following information regarding your hospital's current charity care policy.
  - a. Provide definition of the term charity care for your hospital.

Services provided to financially or medically indigent patients who are uninsured or under insured and are accepted for care with no obligation to pay for services rendered.

b. What percentage of the federal poverty guidelines is financial eligibility based upon? Check one. 4

1.100%

☑ 4. <200%

2. <133%

5. Other, specify

- 3. <150%
- c. Is eligibility based upon net or 

  gross income? Check one.
- d. Does your hospital have a charity care policy for the Medically Indigent?

☑ YES NO IF yes, provide the definition of the term **Medically Indigent**.

A Medically Indigent patient is a person whose medical or hospital bills after payment by third-party payers exceeds a specific percent of the person's annual gross income as set forth in the policy and who is unable to pay the bill.

e. Does your hospital use an Assets test to determine eligibility for charity care?

YES ☑ NO If yes, please briefly summarize method.

- f. Whose income and resources are considered for income and/or assets eligibility determination?
  - 1. Single parent and children
  - 2. Mother, Father and Children
  - 3. All family members

	4. All household members					
	5. Other, please explain					
	g. What is included in your definition of income from the list below? Check all that apply.					
	1. Wages and salaries before deductions					
$\square$	2. Self-employment income					
$\square$	3. Social security benefits					
	4. Pensions and retirement benefits					
	5. Unemployment compensation					
$\square$	6. Strike benefits from union funds					
$\square$	7. Worker's compensation					
$\square$	8. Veteran's payments					
$\square$	9. Public assistance payments					
$\square$	10. Training stipends					
$\square$	11. Alimony					
$\square$	12. Child support					
$\square$	13. Military family allotments					
$\square$	14. Income from dividends, interest, rents, royalties					
$\square$	15. Regular insurance or annuity payments					
$\square$	16. Income from estates and trusts					
	17. Support from an absent family member or someone not living in the household					
$\square$	18. Lottery winnings					
	19. Other, specify					
3. Do	pes application for charity care require completion of a form? ☑ YES NO					
I	f YES,					
	a. Please attach a copy of the charity care application form.					
	b. How does a patient request an application form? Check all that apply.					
	1. By telephone					
	2. In person					
	3. Other, please specify					

c. Are charity care application forms available in places other than the hospital?

YES  $\ \ \, \square$  NO  $\ \ \,$  If, YES, please provide name and address of the place.

	d. Is the application	form available in language(s) other than English?				
	YES ☑ NO					
If yes, please check						
Spanish 1 Other, please specify						
4.	When evaluating a ch	arity care application,				
	a. How is the information verified by the hospital?					
		1. The hospital independently verifies information with third party evidence (W2, pay stubs)				
		2. The hospital uses patient self-declaration				
	☑	3. The hospital uses independent verification and patient self-declaration				
	b. What docum Check all that	ents does your hospital use/require to verify income, expenses, and assets? apply.				
	$\square$	1. W2-form				
	$\square$	2. Wage and earning statement				
	$\square$	3. Paycheck remittance				
	$\square$	4. Worker's compensation				
	$\square$	5. Unemployment compensation determination letters				
		6. Income tax returns				
		7. Statement from employer				
		8. Social security statement of earnings				
		9. Bank statements				
		10. Copy of checks				
		11. Living expenses				
		12. Long term notes				
		13. Copy of bills				
	$\square$	14. Mortgage statements				
	$\square$	15. Document of assets				
		16. Documents of sources of income				
		17. Telephone verification of gross income with the employer				
		18. Proof of participation in gov't assistance programs such as Medicaid				
		19. Signed affidavit or attestation by patient				
		20. Veterans benefit statement				
		21 Other please specify				

5.	when is a pat	lent determined to be a charity care patient? Check all that apply.
		a. At the time of admission
	$\square$	b. During hospital stay
		c. At discharge
	$\square$	d. After discharge
		e. Other, please specify
6. F	low much of t	he bill will your hospital cover under the charity care policy?
		a. 100%
		b. A specified amount/percentage based on the patient's financial situation
		c. A minimum or maximum dollar or percentage amount established by the hospital
		d. Other, please specify
7. I	s there a char	ge for processing an application/request for charity care assistance?
	YES ☑ N	0
8. F	low many day	rs does it take for your hospital to complete the eligibility determination process? 7 days
9. F	low long does	the eligibility last before the patient will need to reapply? Check one.
	$\square$	a. Per admission
		b. Less than six months
		c. One year
		d. Other, specify
10.	How does the Check all th	e hospital notify the patient about their eligibility for charity care? Check all that apply.
	$\square$	a. In person
		b. By telephone
		c. By correspondence
		d. Other, specify
11.	Are all service	es provided by your hospital available to charity care patients?
	YES ⊠N	0
		ease list services not covered for charity care patients (e.g. transplant services, ER services patient services, physician's fees). Residential Replacement
12.	Does your ho	ospital pay for charity care services provided at hospitals owned by others?
	YES ☑	NO

II.	Community	Benefits	<b>Projects</b>	/Activities:
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Provide information on name, brief description (3 lines), target population or purpose (3 lines) for each of the community benefits projects/activities CURRENTLY being undertaken by your hospital (example: diabetes awareness). The Annual Report of Community Benefits Plan emailed to Dwayne Collins.

#### **Additional Information:**

Use this space if more space is required for comments or to elaborate on any of the information supplied on this form. Please refer to the response by question and item number.

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**NOTE:** This is the twenty-first year the charity care and community benefits form is being used for collecting the information required under Texas Health and Safety Code, § 311.0461. If you have any suggestions or questions, please include them in the space below or contact Dwayne Collins, Center for Health Statistics, Texas Department of State Health Services at (512)776-7261 or fax:(512)776-7344 or E-mail: dwayne.collins@dshs.texas.gov.

Name of Hospital:	City:	
Contact Name:	Phone:	
Suggestions (sugetions)		

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