# Help Paying for Diabetes Care and Supplies

This handout lists programs that can help to cover the cost of your diabetes medical bills supplies

## State and Federal Health Insurance Programs

## State Health Insurance (Medicaid or Apple Health)

If you do not have insurance and need assistance in obtaining coverage for your child, contact Seattle Children's Hospital Financial Counseling department for guidance at 206-987-3333.

You can apply online at hca.wa.gov/free-or-low-cost-health-care/i-need-medical-dental-or-vision-care

View the Medicaid eligibility guidelines at hca.wa.gov/free-or-low-cost-health-care/i-need-medical-dental-or-vision-care/eligibility-overview

# Supplement social security income for patients under 6 with type 1 diabetes

Families of children with type 1 who are six and under may qualify for some supplemental social security income. This is a monthly cash grant intended to offset some of the costs related to having a very young child with a chronic illness.

It is not health insurance, and eligibility is dependent on income and family size. If you would like more information, please ask to speak to your Diabetes Social Worker.

# Help with the remaining costs (copays/coinsurance) when you have health insurance

# Seattle Children's Financial Assistance Program

Seattle Children's has a generous financial assistance program for patients age 20 and younger who live in Washington, Alaska, Montana and Idaho and who meet income requirements. Financial assistance may be able to help even if you have insurance.

Financial Assistance can help families with Seattle Children's bills - including prescriptions written by Children's physicians and filled at Seattle Children's pharmacy.

To apply, visit seattlechildrens.org/clinics/paying-for-care/financial-assistance or pick up an application at any Seattle Children's location. You can also call 206-987-3333 to speak with a financial counselor.

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#### To Learn More

- Endocrinology 206-987-2640
- Ask your child's healthcare provider
- seattlechildrens.org/patienteducation

#### **Free Interpreter Services**

- In the hospital, ask your nurse.
- From outside the hospital, call the toll-free Family Interpreting Line, 1-866-583-1527. Tell the interpreter the name or extension you need.



# Help paying for diabetes medicines and supplies

#### Medicines

#### GoodRx

#### Goodrx.com

Finds the affordable medicine prices and gives you coupons that are accepted at many pharmacies like Safeway, Walgreens, Rite Aid, Bartell Drugs, Walmart, Fred Meyer and Costco.

#### Washington State Health Care Authority

#### hca.wa.gov/free-or-low-cost-health-care/get-help-paying-prescriptions

Residents of Washington State can sign up for free and get an ArrayRx card for medicine discount. There are no income or age restrictions.

## **Prescription Drug Assistance Foundation**

#### prescriptiondrugassistance.org

Email: rods@prescriptiondrugassistance.org or phone: 206-518-0839.

Provides management of assistance applications and information on all the various assistance programs.

#### **Needy Meds**

#### needymeds.org

Keeps a list of prescription assistance programs. You can search by medicine on their website.

#### **RxAssist**

#### rxassist.org

Keeps a list of prescriptions assistance programs. You can search by medicine on their website.

#### Pharmaceutical companies

Some of these provide help:

- Lilly Cares Patient Assistance Program (Humalog): lillycares.com
- Novo Nordisk Patient Assistance Program (Novolog) novocare.com/psp/PAP.html
- Sanofi Patient Connection Program (Lantus): sanofipatientconnection.com

#### **Meter Strips**

Contour Next Prescription Savings Card

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# Insulin Pumps and Supplies

Some pump companies have patient financial assistance programs that you can learn about by calling your individual pump company.

#### Medtronic \$2000 Financial Savings Program

Has a financial assistance program for those who qualify. Call Medtronic at 1-800-646-4633 and select option 4 to get specific information.

#### **CR3 Diabetes**

#### cr3diabetes.org

Has an online application for assistance with pump supplies to those who qualify.

#### **Discount Distributors**

Several retailers offer discounted diabetes supplies. Here are a few of those websites or programs:

- Total Diabetes Supply: totaldiabetessupply.com
- American Diabetes Wholesale: adwdiabetes.com
- Diabetes Store: diabetesstore.com
- Costco

Costco Members get supplies at lower prices through Costco's Preferred Drug List as long as you are not covered otherwise through private or state insurance. Learn more at: costco.com/cmpp

## **Adult Care**

Harborview Medical Center and the University of Washington Medical Center Both Harborview and the UW Medical Center offer a financial assistance program for adult patients. For more information about these clinics, visit: <a href="https://www.uwmedicine.org/locations/endocrinology-diabetes-harborview">uwmedicine.org/locations/endocrinology-uwmc</a>.

You will need to speak to a Seattle Children's provider about a referral to the diabetes clinics at these facilities.