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Dear Patient/Applicant,

Ascension is driven by compassion and dedicated to providing personalized care for all – especially those most in need. It is our mission and privilege to offer financial assistance to our patients. Financial assistance is available only for emergency and other medically necessary care. Thank you for trusting us to care for you and your family for all of your healthcare needs.

We are sending this letter and the attached financial assistance application because we received your request. If you did not request this, please disregard. Please complete both sides, including your signature and date before returning it. If you completed an application within the past six months and were approved for financial assistance, please notify us – you may not need to complete a new application. Unfortunately, we are unable to rely on a prior application that is greater than six months old.

Along with the application, you will need to provide verification of your household's income and verification of all assets owned by any household member.

Examples of proof of income and assets include:

- Copies of 3 most recent paystubs from employer
- Copies of most recent yearly tax return (if self-employed, include all schedules)
- Social Security and/or Pension Retirement Award Letter
- Parent or guardian's most recent yearly tax return, if applicant is a dependent listed on their tax form and under the age 25
- Copy of receipt of unemployment benefits
- Approval/denial of eligibility for Medicaid and/or state-funded medical assistance
- Other income validation documents

Examples of proof of assets include:

- Current bank statements (checking and savings accounts) from last 3 months
- Investments, including stocks and bonds
- Trust funds
- Money market accounts
- Mutual funds

If you receive assistance from or live in a home with a family or friends, please have them complete the attached form labeled "Letter of Support." This will not make them responsible for your medical bills. This will help show how you are able to afford living expenses. If you do not receive assistance from family and friends, you do not need to fill out the Letter of Support form.

Finally, we may be able to consider your outstanding medical bills to qualify you for financial assistance. If you would like for us to consider this, please also provide documentation of your outstanding monthly medical and pharmacy/drug costs, such as current invoices or statements of account balances. Please know that the 1) completed application along with 2) proof of income, 3) assets, and 4) outstanding medical bills (if applicable) must be received in order for the application to be

considered. We are unable to process or consider applications that are not complete.

When submitting your application, please keep in mind that communications via email over the internet are not secure. Although it may be unlikely, there is a possibility that information you include in an email may be intercepted and read by other parties besides the person to whom it is addressed. We want to protect your personal information and ensure that it remains secure. Since the application contains your social security number and other private information, we urge you to refrain from emailing it.

Please print and mail your completed application and supporting documentation to the following address:

Ascension Providence

PO Box 538062

Atlanta GA 30353

We are here to help and want to ensure that patients that qualify for financial assistance receive it. If you have any questions about this application, supporting documents required, or how to best get your application to us, please call one of our Patient Representatives at 251-266-1540.

Sincerely,

Patient Financial Services Ascension



# Ascension Providence

## Financial Assistance Application Form

### Patient information

*(Please print and all fields must be completed. Indicate N/A if not applicable on any individual line in the application)*

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Account number \_\_\_\_\_

Name (first and last) \_\_\_\_\_

Birth date \_\_\_\_\_ Marital status \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Social security number (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

Employer \_\_\_\_\_ Employment status \_\_\_\_\_

Number of hours worked per week \_\_\_\_\_ Employer phone number \_\_\_\_\_

### Responsible party's information/legal guardian's information

*(If patient above is same as responsible party, leave this section blank.)*

Name (first and last) \_\_\_\_\_

Birth date \_\_\_\_\_ Marital status \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Social security number (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

Employer \_\_\_\_\_ Employment status \_\_\_\_\_

Number of hours worked per week \_\_\_\_\_ Employer phone number \_\_\_\_\_

### Responsible party spouse information

*(If patient is same as responsible party, fill in spouse information for patient.)*

Name (first and last) \_\_\_\_\_

Birth date \_\_\_\_\_ Marital status \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Social security number (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

Employer \_\_\_\_\_ Employment status \_\_\_\_\_

Number of hours worked per week \_\_\_\_\_ Employer phone number \_\_\_\_\_

### Dependents of responsible party

*(If patient is same as responsible party, fill in spouse information for patient.)*

Name _____	Birth date _____	Relationship to responsible party _____
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Number of adults and children living in household \_\_\_\_\_

## Monthly income

(Fill in dollar amounts for each item listed below. Provide amount per month for each.)

Applicant earned income \_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant spouse income \_\_\_\_\_  
Social security benefits \_\_\_\_\_  
Pension/retirement income \_\_\_\_\_  
Disability income \_\_\_\_\_  
Unemployment compensation \_\_\_\_\_  
Worker's compensation \_\_\_\_\_  
Interest/dividend income \_\_\_\_\_

Child support received \_\_\_\_\_  
Alimony received \_\_\_\_\_  
Rental property income \_\_\_\_\_  
Food stamps \_\_\_\_\_  
Trust fund distribution received \_\_\_\_\_  
Other income \_\_\_\_\_  
Other income \_\_\_\_\_  
**Total gross monthly income \$** \_\_\_\_\_

## Monthly living expenses

Mortgage/rent \_\_\_\_\_  
Utilities \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone (landline) \_\_\_\_\_  
Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Groceries/food \_\_\_\_\_  
Cable/internet/satellite tv \_\_\_\_\_  
Car payment \_\_\_\_\_  
Child care \_\_\_\_\_

Child support/alimony \_\_\_\_\_  
Credit cards \_\_\_\_\_  
Doctor/hospital bills \_\_\_\_\_  
Car/auto insurance \_\_\_\_\_  
Home/property insurance \_\_\_\_\_  
Medical/health insurance \_\_\_\_\_  
Life insurance \_\_\_\_\_  
Other monthly expense \_\_\_\_\_  
**Total monthly expenses \$** \_\_\_\_\_

## Assets

Cash/savings/checking accounts \_\_\_\_\_  
Stocks/bonds/investments/CD(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
Other real estate/secondary residence \_\_\_\_\_  
Boat/RV/motorcycle/recreational vehicle \_\_\_\_\_  
Collector automobiles/non-essential automobiles \_\_\_\_\_  
Other assets \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the above information is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I hereby authorize the hospital to obtain information from external credit reporting agencies if the hospital deems necessary.

Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Comments** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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# Letter of support

Patient medical record number/account number \_\_\_\_\_

Supporter's name \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to patient/applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Supporter's address \_\_\_\_\_

To Ascension:

This letter is to advise that (patient's name)

\_\_\_\_\_ receives little to no income and I am assisting with his/her living expenses.

He/She has little to no obligation to me.

By signing this statement, I agree that the information given is true to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of supporter \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_