

# 2021 Patient Assistance Application

Medicare or Self-Pay Patients

Please call Angie with questions at 802-748-7518

## **Instructions**

Northeastern Vermont Regional Hospital's staff understands the confusion surrounding healthcare today. We have designed this packet to make your application for Patient Assistance both easy and efficient. The process does require an investment of time. Please read carefully.

Applications must be completed in full and be accompanied by all required supporting documentation. Incomplete applications will remain unprocessed until all information is provided. Applications may be mailed back or a phone call requesting missing information may be made. Applications will be rejected if supporting documentation is not received within 14 days of request.

**If you qualify:** If you are a resident of Vermont or New Hampshire, complete the application for Medicaid for the state you reside in. Once the application for Medicaid has been processed, you will receive a Notice of Decision from the state. The Notice of Decision and necessary documentation must be attached to the completed Patient Assistance application before it can be processed. Incomplete applications will be returned to the sender until completed.

### **Proof of Income:**

1. Complete copy of most current tax return

### In the event you do not file taxes: (one of the following)

- 2. Letter from employer confirming earnings
- 3. Three months of check stubs
- 4. Social Security Annual Notification of Payment

### **Documentation necessary for determination:**

- 1. Copy of your Notice of Decision from the state
- 2. Copy of a recent bank statement for all accounts
- 3. Copy of property tax bill
- 4. Documentation of investment accounts from a broker or financial institution
- 5. Documentation of child support and/or alimony paid or received

Mail the completed application with proof of income and documentation to:

**NVRH Attention: PA** 

PO Box 905

St. Johnsbury, VT 05819

Sincerely,

Mindy S. Vigeant, CRCS-P, CRCS-I

**Director of Patient Accounts** 

Mindy S. Vigeant

Date:		
Applicant- Last Name:	First Name:	Middle Initial:
Co-Applicant- Last Name:	First Name:	Middle Initial:
Mailing Address:		
City:	State: Zip Co	ode:
Home Phone:	Work Phone:	
Cell Phone:	Co-Applicant's Cell:	

**Household:** Household is defined as a group of two or more persons related by birth, marriage, civil union from Vermont Act 91, or adoption, who reside together and among whom there are legal responsibilities for support. Household further includes persons living together who present themselves and live as a married couple.

Household Member's Name	Relationship to Applicant	Age	Employer or School Attending (if full-time student)
	Self		

**Income:** is defined as total annual cash receipts before taxes from all sources except as identified below.

### **Income includes:**

- 1. Money from wages and salaries before any deductions
- 2. Net receipts from non-farm or farm self-employment
- 3. Regular payments from social security, railroad retirement, unemployment compensation, worker's compensation, or strike benefits from union funds
- 4. Disability benefits, veteran's benefits, public assistance including Aid to Families with Dependent Children, Supplemental Security Income and General Assistance money payments
- 5. Alimony, child support, and military family allotments or other regular support from an absent family member or someone not living in the household
- 6. Private pensions, government employee pensions, and regular insurance or annuity payments, dividends, interest, rents, royalties, periodic receipts from estates or trusts, net gambling, or lottery winnings.

### **Income does not include the following:**

- 1. Tax refunds, gifts, loans and lump-sum inheritances
- 2. One-time insurance payment or other one-time compensation for injury
- 3. Non-cash benefits such as employee fringe benefits
- 4. The value of food and fuel produced and consumed on farms
- 5. Federal non-cash benefit programs such as food stamps, school lunches and housing assistance.

List current or last employment (including Business or self-employment) for all household members:

Household Member	Employer	Hire Date	Term Date	Weekly GROSS income

**Income from other Sources:** Please list if you receive income from- Social Security, disability, retirement, alimony, pensions, renters, business interest, unemployment compensation, workers compensation, child support, friends, or relatives. \*If none, please indicate how you support yourself.\*

Household Member	Type of Income	<b>Monthly GROSS Income</b>

<b>Expenses:</b> Please list the total for your	monthly expenses	as they apply.	
Home/Auto Insurance: \$	/month	Credit Cards: \$	/month
Automobile loan/lease: \$	/month	Mortgage/Rent: \$	/month
Medical (Dental, RXs): \$	/month	Fuel (Heat): \$	/month
Utilities (water,electric): \$	/month	Property Tax: \$	/month
Other Expenses: \$	/month	Describe:	
<b>Assets:</b> List assets such as checking or funds, bank CD's, annuities, trust funds, assets of \$50,000 or more will not be con	or any other assets		
Type, Person Example: Checking, Sally Smith	Passumnsic Say	Institution vings Bank, St. Johnsbury, VT	Value
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			\$
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<b>Liabilities:</b> List liabilities such as mor debt. If none, indicate "NONE".	tgage and/or home	equity loans, car loans, credit ca	ard balances or other
<b>Type, Person</b> Example: Mortgage, Sally Smith	Passumpsic Sav	<b>Institution</b> vings Bank, St. Johnsbury, VT	Balance
	-		\$
			\$
			\$
			\$
Real Estate: Do you own real estate?	No Yes I	f yes, list all real estate, including	g primary residence.
Location:		Assessed Value: \$_	
Location:		Assessed Value: \$_	

<b>Insurance:</b> Does the patient have <b>me</b>	dical insurance (Example: Medicaid or BC)?	No Yes
(if yes) Insurance Name and ID Numbers:		
(if no)		
Have you lost coverage in the last 3 mo	nths? No Yes	_
Explain:		
Other Open Accounts with NVF providers listed below: If not applicable	RH: List all open accounts for all family men write "NONE".	nbers for the affiliated
Provider	<b>Account or Statement Number</b>	Balance
<b>Community Clinics</b>		\$
Mental Health		\$
Hospital- ER, PT, OP.NPSPC		\$
Furthermore, I will make application for an will take any action reasonable to obtain su hospital charges. I understand this applican services based on the established criteria o	ove information is true and accurate to the best on assistance, which may be available for payment of assistance and will assign or pay to the hospition is made so the hospital can judge my eligibiling in the hospital. If any information I have give the my financial status and take whatever action is	nt of my hospital charge, and tal the amount recovered for ity for uncompensated ven proves to be untrue, I
This application is for NVRH HOSPI	TAL & NVRH PROVIDER PRACTICES	services only.
Applicant's Signature:	Dat	e:
Co-Applicant's Signature:	Dat	e:
Ple	ease Do Not Write Below This Line	
Approved By:	Date:	
Percentage:	Ending:	

In making the determination of eligibility I have considered this patient's income, expenses, assets and liabilities.

# **Financial Assistance Application Checklist**

- Complete copy of your most recent Federal Income Tax Return and all schedules and forms. (example: Schedule E needed for rental income)
- O Copy of a recent bank statement for all accounts (savings, checking), must include bank name, client name, balance and current date.
- o Copy of social security, disability compensation, pension and/or retirement income.
- o Copy of current statement for investment accounts from broker or financial institution.
- o Tax bill or tax assessment on property owned.
- o Copy of Notice of Decision from the State of VT or NH
- o Copy of unemployment benefits statement, if applicable.
- o Documentation of child support and/or alimony paid or received.
- Signatures, applications cannot be processed without signatures from all adults in the household wishing to receive financial assistance.
- Entire application is filled out, if a section or question does not apply, please write "N/A" for not applicable.

Financial assistance is valid for 6 or 12 months depending on individual situations. The Financial Assistance Program at NVRH is not an insurance company and should not be applied for unless you have an outstanding balance that you cannot pay.

The following is a list of the providers rendering care at NVRH who are <u>not</u> covered under the financial assistance program:

- CardioNet
- Dr. Jedlovsky from North Country Pulmonology
- Eye Associates Northern New England
- iRT
- Preventice
- Lab Services sent to the University of Vermont Medical Center
- Northern Counties Health Clinic providers
- VT Radiologists

# Northeastern Vermont Regional Hospital

Family Size	100% Reduction Up to 200% FPLG FAMILY INCOME LEVEL	85% Reduction 201%-250% FPLG FAMILY INCOME LEVEL	70% Reduction 251%-300% FPLG FAMILY INCOME LEVEL	57% Reduction 301%-350% FPLG FAMILY INCOME LEVEL	47% Reduction 351%-400% FPLG FAMILY INCOME LEVEL	Not Eligible > 400% FPLG FAMILY INCOME LEVEL
Assets	<\$50,000	<\$50,000	<\$50,000	<\$50,000	<\$50,000	
1	\$1- \$25,760	\$25,761- \$32,200	\$32,201-\$38,640	\$38,641-\$45,080	\$45,081-\$51,520	>\$51,520
2	\$1- \$34,840	\$34,841- \$43,550	\$43,551-\$52,260	\$52,261-\$60,970	\$60,971-\$69,680	> \$69,680
3	\$1- \$43,920	\$43,921- \$54,900	\$54,901-\$65,880	\$65,881-\$76,860	\$76,861-\$87,840	>\$87,840
4	\$1- \$53,000	\$53,001-\$66,250	\$66,251-\$79,500	\$79,501-\$92,750	\$92,751-\$106,000	>\$106,000
5	\$1- \$62,080	\$62,081- \$77,600	\$77,601-\$93,120	\$93,121-\$108,640	\$108,641-\$124,160	>\$124,160
6	\$1- \$71,160	\$71,161- \$88,950	\$88,951-\$106,740	\$106,741-\$124,530	\$124,531-\$142,320	> \$142,320
7	\$1- \$80,240	\$80,241-\$100,300	\$100,301-\$120,360	\$120,361-\$140,420	\$140,421-\$160,480	> \$160,480
8	\$1- \$89,320	\$89,321-\$111,650	\$111,651-\$133,980	\$133,981-\$156,310	\$156,311-\$178,640	> \$178,640
9	\$1- \$98,400	\$98,401- \$123,000	\$123,001-\$147,600	\$147,601-\$172,200	\$172,201-\$196,800	> \$196,800
10	\$1- \$107,480	\$107,481- \$134,350	\$134,351-\$161,220	\$161,221-\$188,090	\$188,091-\$214,960	> \$214,960

# 2021 Patient Assistance Guidelines