

Principles for Self Pay Patients

PIH Health Good Samaritan Hospital will adhere to the following principles in implementing this policy:

1. Fear of a hospital bill should never prevent a patient from seeking emergency health care services and inability to pay should never be a reason to deny medically necessary care.
2. The Hospital will provide financial assistance to patients who cannot pay for part or all of the care they receive.
3. The Hospital will not financially penalize patients who have no health insurance by requiring them to pay more for care than a typical insurer or government program would pay.
4. However, the financial assistance the Hospital provides is not a substitute for personal responsibility. All patients are expected to contribute to the cost of their care, based upon their individual ability to pay.
5. All patients will be treated with dignity, compassion and respect.
6. Our debt collection practices will be consistent with these principles.