

Charity Care Report (FY 2008) – Attachment B
Summary of Reporting Hospitals' Charity Care Policies

Hospital	Policy Provided	Appli-cation	Necessary Documentation	Eligibility Criteria	Internal tracking policies	Posted Notices & Languages	Locations of Posted Notices	Formal Appeals Process
CPMC	Yes	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Income tax return Statement of Financial Condition Recent pay stub 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 400% Federal poverty level (FPL) Discounts for catastrophic care possible on a case-by-case basis for costs that exceed 15% of patient (family) annual income. Discounts for self-pay, prompt pay, and uninsured. Charity care application valid for 1 year. 	Yes	Yes (English, Spanish, Chinese, Russian, Tagalog, Japanese, Hmong, Vietnamese)	Emergency Dept., Billing/Cashier, Admitting Office/Registration, Outpatient Registration & Clinics.	No
Chinese Hospital	Yes	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Income tax return Recent pay stub. Signature on application. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 350% FPL Discounts of 20-30% on a case-by-case basis. Charity care application valid for 1 year. 	Yes	Yes (English, Spanish, Chinese)	Emergency Dept, Billing/Cashier, Admitting Office/Registration, Outpatient Area.	Yes
Kaiser Permanente	Yes	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identification Proof of income Bank statements Mutual funds (if applicable) Prior year tax returns Average monthly medical expenses Medi-Cal denial 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 300% FPL Discounted rates up to 400% FPL. Charity care application valid for 3 months. 	Yes	Yes (English, Spanish, Chinese)	Emergency Dept., Billing Office, Admission Office/Registration, Outpatient Areas.	Yes
Saint Francis	Yes	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proof of income and/or assets. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 200% FPL Discounted rates up to 500% FPL. Discounts for catastrophic care possible on a case-by-case basis for individuals with income greater than 500% FPL. Charity care application valid for 1 year. 	Yes	Yes (English, Spanish, Chinese, Russian)	Emergency Dept., Billing Office, Admission Office/Registration, Outpatient Areas.	No
SFGH	Yes	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identification Proof of SF residence Verification of prior gross monthly income 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sliding fee scale up to 500% FPL. 100% FPL eligible for free care. Assets within Medi-Cal guidelines. Charity care application valid for 6 months. 	Yes	Yes (English, Spanish, Chinese)	Emergency Dept., Billing Office, Admission Office/Registration, Outpatient Areas, Main Lobby, Pharmacy.	Yes

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St. Luke's	Yes	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Income tax return Statement of Financial Condition Recent pay stub 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 400% FPL Discounts for catastrophic care possible on a case-by-case basis for costs that exceed 15% of patient (family) annual income. Discounts for self-pay, prompt pay, and uninsured. Charity care application valid for 1 year. 	Yes	Yes (English, Spanish, Chinese, Russian, Tagalog, Japanese, Hmong, Vietnamese)	Registration, Financial Counseling, Ancillary Registration, Cashier, Emergency Department, Outpatient Clinics	No
St. Mary's	Yes	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proof of income and/or assets 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 200% FPL Discounted rates up to 500% FPL. Discounts for catastrophic care possible on a case-by-case basis for individuals with income greater than 500% FPL. Charity care application valid for 1 year. 	Yes	Yes (English, Spanish, Chinese, Russian, & add'l translations for Cambodian, Vietnamese at Sr. Mary Phillipa Clinic)	Emergency Department, Billing/Admissions Waiting Room, Outpatient Clinics	No
UCSF	Yes	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proof of income and/or assets Copy of public program (ex., Medi-Cal) denial 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 200% FPL eligible for free care 201%- 350% FPL sliding fee scale 30% discount available to true "self-paying" patients Outpatient Charity care application valid for six months; inpatient charity care applications are required for each admission and are valid for that admission only. 	No	Yes (English, Spanish, Chinese, Russian)	Emergency Dept., Billing Office, Admission Office/Registration, Outpatient Areas.	Yes