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Re: Hospital Financial Assistance Policy200 West 15th Street  
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Tax-exempt hospitals must implement and maintain publicly accessible financial assistance policies as well as reasonable collection and billing practices for the indigent populations they serve. See 15 CFR 130.102(b)(2) and 130.103(d). Specifically:

- a. Qualifying hospitals must have a written Financial Assistance Policy (FAP) that applies to "the uninsured and necessary medical care provided by the hospital facility." The FAP must include the method for applying, as well as the documents required to apply for financial assistance. 26 C.F.R. § 1.501(c)(4)(ii).

The FAP must be made available to the public timely, and the hospital must pay for or bear the cost of making such documents available to the public. The hospital may not charge a fee for providing the FAP to the public. The hospital may not require a person to pay a fee for obtaining the FAP. The hospital may not require a person to provide identification information to obtain the FAP. The hospital may not require a person to provide personal information to obtain the FAP.

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- b. The FAP must be available to the hospital visitors and the public copies of the FAP available to public law enforcement, including the attorney general, the congressional committees, and congressional members of the hospital, as well as the hospital's employees.

- c. The hospital must make patients aware of the availability of the FAP through "written materials" at the front desk, lobby, and other areas where patients are received, including the entrance to the hospital, including all waiting rooms, reception areas, patient areas of the hospital, the patient information areas of the hospital, and patient areas of the hospital, as well as the hospital's employees.

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hospital website with copies of the FAP, application form and plain language

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Thus we have the following theorem:

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For more information about the study, contact Dr. Michael J. Hwang at (319) 356-4000 or email at [mjhwang@uiowa.edu](mailto:mjhwang@uiowa.edu).

2.2.2. *Postural responses to static postures*. During each 24-hr day, subjects were asked to maintain a seated posture for 1 hr.

How can you make your website more accessible? There are many ways to do this, but here are some general tips:

Finally, our analysis shows that the Foothills, and those like them, of Assistance systems need to be reformed without changing underlying policy objectives. This requires us to have a thorough P&P, as in Australia, with the P&P Bill now explicit, to be placed, whatever the outcome.

With the exception of the "Tatami" and "Kōdō" sections, the other sections of the *Shōjōki* are written in a more formal, narrative style.

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for Patients" section on its website, which includes information about "Financial Assistance Programs to help you" and suggests individuals contact the Financial Assistance office.

The Hospital's website also contains a link to the LOSUGH Financial Assistance Policy, which can be accessed at [www.losugh.org/financial-assistance](http://www.losugh.org/financial-assistance).

LOSUGH does not have a FAP, but it has a Financial Assistance Policy available in public areas of the Hospital, including in the emergency room or admission areas of the Hospital.

The Hospital's failure to make a FAP widely publicly available and only violates the above requirement because it has a financial assistance policy of its own, though it does not contain all the requirements of a FAP, such as the strength of a financial hardship determination, the documentation of the financial hardship, and the notice of rights of patients regarding financial assistance. The Hospital's failure to make a FAP widely publicly available violates the Hospital's policy of transparency.

## LOSUGH Financial Assistance Policy

### LOSUGH FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE POLICY

### INTRODUCTION

LOSUGH is committed to providing quality medical care to all patients regardless of their ability to pay. LOSUGH believes that every patient deserves to receive the best possible care, and that financial considerations should not be a barrier to receiving that care. LOSUGH is committed to providing financial assistance to patients who are unable to pay for services received at LOSUGH.

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### Remedial Steps to Come Into Compliance

In an effort to address the above concerns with LOSUGH and ensure its compliance with the requirements of the FAP, LOSUGH will take the following steps:

- 1. Develop and implement a FAP that complies with the requirements of the FAP.
- 2. Provide training to staff on the FAP.
- 3. Establish a process for patients to apply for financial assistance.

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### Proposed

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patients' medical debt by creating a debt forgiveness period during which those patients

will not be required to make payments on their debts.

For more information about the proposed legislation, contact Senator Schatz's office at 202-224-3144 or Senator Udall's office at 202-224-3144.

## **House Bill Proposes Expanding Health Care**

This may result in big savings. H.R. 2, which creates Healthy Family Daily (or "HFD"), would add \$34.3 billion over 10 years to the Medicaid program, and \$10 billion over 10 years to the Children's Health Insurance Program.

### **Summary:**

H.R. 2 is a bill that would expand Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) to provide health care coverage to millions of Americans who currently do not have it.



**Key Provisions:**  
• Adds 11 million Americans  
• Adds 5 million children  
• Adds 1.5 million seniors  
• Adds 1.5 million disabled individuals  
• Adds 1.5 million low-income families

Source: [www.congress.org/bills/H.R.2](http://www.congress.org/bills/H.R.2)

SENATOR KAREN HARRISON, R-ND, CHAIR OF CONSERVATIVES

