



Additional Assistance

FHCE helps individuals learn their eligibility for public and private health coverage programs, which assist with affording medical treatments and medications. However, some treatments and medications may fall outside the health coverage programs found on CoverageForAll.org. For this reason, FHCE has compiled a list of additional resources that uninsured individuals should research if further assistance is needed.

Patient Advocate Foundation (PAF)

Patient Advocate Foundation offers assistance to patients with specific issues they are facing with their insurer, employer and/or creditor regarding insurance, job retention and/or debt crisis matters relative to their diagnosis of life threatening or debilitating diseases. Additionally, the PAF Co-Pay Relief Program provides financial assistance to patients who meet certain qualifications to help them pay for the prescriptions and/or treatments they need. This assistance lets patients who have chronic, life threatening and/or debilitating illnesses afford the out-of-pocket costs for these items that their insurance companies require. To learn more about PAF's patient services, call 800-532-5274 or visit www.patientadvocate.org.

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)

NAMI is the nation's largest grassroots mental health organization dedicated to building better lives for the millions of Americans affected by mental illness. It is a valuable resource for any person affected by mental illness, whether directly or indirectly. Its website, www.NAMI.org, and Information Help Line 800-950-6264 offer detailed information on various mental illnesses, available programs and services, and support groups.

Partnership for Prescription Assistance

The Partnership for Prescription Assistance (PPARx) was created to make it easier for low-income uninsured patients to get free or nearly free prescription medicines through existing patient assistance programs, while providing the highest level of service. Once you provide the www.PPARX.org with some basic information related to prescription medicines, income, and current prescription medicine coverage, PPARx will be able to tell you for what patient assistance programs you may be eligible. Visit www.PPARX.org or call 1-888-477-2669 for assistance.

NeedyMeds

NeedyMeds is a national non-profit that was founded with the mission to make information about prescription assistance programs available to low-income patients and their advocates at no cost. The organization's website, NeedyMeds.org, has information on programs that help people who can't afford their medications and health care costs. It has data on over 5,000 programs and over 10,000 free/low-cost/sliding-scale clinics. All data is free, easy to access, and updated regularly. Visit www.NeedyMeds.org for more information.

Smiles Change Lives (SCL)

Smiles Change Lives promotes and provides access to life-changing, essential orthodontic treatment for children from low-income families. To be eligible, children must be between 10-18 years old, already not wearing braces, and have a household taxable income at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level. There is a \$25 application fee. Eligible youth may apply by downloading an application of SCL's website (Smileschangelives.org) or by calling 888-900-3554.

Office for Victims of Crime (OVC)

The OVC oversees programs that have been designed to benefit and assist victims of crime. The OVC is charged by Congress with administering the Crime Victims Fund (the Fund) which offers a direct reimbursement to or on behalf of a crime victim for a wide variety of crime-related expenses, including medical costs, funeral and burial costs, expenses for mental health counseling, and lost wages or loss of support. Every state administers a crime victim compensation program. To learn more about the assistance available through the OVC, visit www.ovc.gov/help.

Patient Services, Inc. (PSI)

Patient Services, Inc. (PSI) is the "ground breaking" 501(c)(3) non-profit, charitable organization of its kind. Over two decades ago, PSI recognized the importance of providing a "safety net" for patients with chronic illnesses who were struggling to keep up with expensive premiums and co-payments. Since 1989, PSI has led the charge to provide much needed patient assistance, soliciting donations to fund thousands of patients and their families in a myriad of disease areas. Learn more at www.patientservicesinc.org.

Imerman Angels

Imerman Angels provides personalized connections that enable 1-on-1 support among cancer fighters, survivors and caregivers. The organization individually matches patients who are touched by cancer (a cancer fighter or survivor) with someone who has fought and survived the same type of cancer (a Mentor Angel). Spouses, parents, children and other family and friends of fighters can also receive 1-on-1 connections with other caregivers and survivors. To learn more about Imerman's Angel's free services, please call 877-274-5529 or visit www.imermanangels.org.