

**VIDANT HEALTH
POLICY & PROCEDURE**

MANUAL: Vidant Health

SUBJECT: Charity Care - Eligibility

NUMBER: VH – FS3

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Policy

The Central Business Office (CBO) for Vidant Health’s hospital services will engage in the evaluation of patients’ accounts for Charity Care eligibility. To be deemed eligible for financial assistance, the candidate must have limited assets, must possess no real property (other than their immediate dwelling) and must meet the designated Poverty Income Guidelines. (See Attachment A for current income guidelines, which are 200% of Federal Poverty Guidelines).

*This policy excludes cosmetic procedures and does not apply to service rendered by any physicians or practitioners including but not limited to anesthesiologists, radiologists and pathologists.

** This policy applies to services rendered by hospital employed physicians. Other physicians (including Vidant Medical Group, East Carolina University Physicians etc.) will have their own Financial Assistance Policies.

Figure 1:

2018 Federal Poverty Guidelines at 200%

Size of Family Unit	48 Contiguous States and the District of Columbia
1	\$24,280
2	\$32,920
3	\$41,560
4	\$50,200
5	\$58,840
6	\$67,480
7	\$76,120
8	\$84,760
For Each Additional Person, Add	\$4,320