**Medically Handicapped Children’s Program (MHCP)**

For Nebraska Residents, MHCP provides financial assistance for cost of prescription and office visits related to Diabetes diagnosis. MHCP does not provide assistance to general medical care.

**Eligibility**
- Birth through age 20
- Must have a qualifying medical condition
- Meets financial eligibility based on current regulations

**Process**
- Referrals made to DHHS office by patient, parent/guardian or Social Worker
- Referral must include proof of diagnosis and patient contact information
- Once referral is received MHCP will mail an application to patient’s home. Application must be completed and mailed back to MHCP.
- If accepted, MHCP will back pay to the date original referral was received.

A person who is on Medicaid or will be losing access to parent’s insurance should start the referral process at age 18.5 or ASAP.

Referrals may be submitted to any DHHS office or to:
ATTN: Medically Handicapped Children’s Program
Department of Health and Human Services
P.O. Box 5026
Lincoln, NE 68509
Or
Dhhs.mhcp@nebraska.gov

**Health Insurance Marketplace (Obamacare)**

You are able to buy affordable health insurance through a health insurance marketplace. Some people qualify for a credit which makes the cost lower.

The market is open the 1st day of November through the last day of February. During this time, you can apply as long as you meet one of the two categories below:
- US citizen or permanent resident
- Social Security number required

After the open enrollment period, the following life events qualify you to apply for new health insurance through the Marketplace:
- New employment
- Change in marital status
- Birth or death of a dependent
- If person is paying more than 9.5% of gross income for health coverage.

https://www.healthcare.gov/

**Sliding Scale Fee Options**

Sliding Scale Fee means that the amount you pay for your services depends on your income. This lets people without insurance to get affordable healthcare.

**One World Community Health Centers**
- To find out the discounted fee, you must show proof of last month’s income.
- One World has a pharmacy on site that gives prescriptions for a lower price to One World patients.
- One World also has a wide spectrum of services that meet many needs.

**Charles Drew Health Center**
- A financial assistance application will need completed and one of the following will be needed
  - Pay stubs
  - W-2 form
  - Unemployment statement
  - Letter from employer
  - Disability papers
  - Proof of no income worksheet

**Find a health center near you**
For help locating a health center near you that provides services at a lower price based off your income. Website is listed below.

https://findahealthcenter.hrsa.gov/

https://www.needymeds.org/medical_clinics.taf?_function=state&state=NE
Prescription Assistance Programs
Patient assistance programs are run by pharmaceutical companies to provide free (or reduced cost) medications to people who cannot afford to buy their medicine.

Partnership for Prescriptions Assistance
- This will help you find programs that can provide assistance. PPA can connect you with more than 475 programs, including more than 150 programs offered by pharmaceutical companies.
  Toll Free: 1-88-477-2669
  Website: www.pparx.org

RX outreach
Non-profit pharmacy that provides medicine for people who cannot afford it. More than 500 medications are offered and mailed directly to you.
  Website: http://rxoutreach.org

Rx Assist
Medication Assistance resource Center. Provides up to date info online.
  https://www.rxassist.org/pap-info

Discount Prescriptions
Helps you find the lowest prescription prices at your local pharmacies and provide coupons.

Good RX
Mobile App: GoodRX
Website: goodrx.com

NeedyMeds Drug Discount App
Mobile App: Needy Meds Storylines
Phone number: 800-503-6897

Insurance and Prescription Resources

Children’s Hospital Endocrinology Department

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