

Oral Health Task Force

Providing oral health care to the children
of Cook County and the Grand Portage Reservation.

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Sliding Fee Scale Application

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The sliding fee scale program is **income based** – funded by grants through the Oral Health Task Force of the North Shore Health Care Foundation. It is available to all – regardless of existing insurance coverage. Applications are submitted yearly.

TRANSPORTATION IS AVAILABLE FROM SCHOOL TO DENTAL OFFICE AND BACK. For more information, contact the Oral Health Task Force at 387-2334.

Sliding Fee Scale Program: This program is available on a yearly basis, and is dependent on grant funding. It covers restorative and preventative dental care for children from 18 months to 26 years of age. Dental services are provided by Dr. Alyssa Hedstrom from Grand Marais Family Dentistry. Families who qualify and are enrolled in Sawtooth Mountain Clinic's sliding scale will be covered through the sliding scale program first. If there is a balance left owing, it is submitted to the Oral Health Task Force. If applicable, the patient will receive a final bill from Sawtooth Mountain Clinic. All patients qualifying under the Oral Health Task Force sliding fee program, pays a minimum of \$5.00 per visit.

Eligibility: Income must be within federal guidelines for family size (see attached chart). You may have other insurance and still be eligible.

Instructions for Application:

1. Obtain application form or forms from the receptionist at Grand Marais Dentistry or at Sawtooth Mountain Clinic or the North Shore Health Care Foundation, lower level of the clinic (387-2334).
2. Read sliding scale program description and complete the application.
3. Attach proof of income to application. The preferred proof of income is a copy of your W-2 form, first page of 1040 federal income tax return. A copy of a social security check, at least 3 pay stubs or unemployment letter will be accepted.
4. Submit completed application(s) to the Oral Health Task Force, Sawtooth Mountain Clinic and/or Grand Marais Family Dentistry.
5. If you have already completed a sliding fee application for the Sawtooth Mountain Clinic, you may sign a release to have a copy of that application be forwarded to Oral Health Task Force staff.

***The Oral Health Task Force reserves all rights to review what will be eligible for sliding scale discount. Extensive needs are reviewed on an individual basis.**

Other Area Services:

1. **Sawtooth Mountain Clinic Sliding Fee Scale Program** covers dental procedures deemed medically necessary by Dr. Hedstrom i.e. restorative and preventative services.
2. **MN Sure**, if you are eligible, covers most dental work. Information available at Cook County Public Health and Human Services (387-3620).
3. **Indian Health Service** covers most dental work.

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