## **Get Help With Your Hospital Bill**

Colorado law requires hospitals to give discounts for health care at a hospital or emergency room to patients who qualify. Many people are surprised to hear they qualify for discounts on their health care bills.

You can be screened to see if you qualify for health coverage like Medicaid or if you qualify to get help paying for your hospital bill through discounts. You don't have to be a U.S. citizen or have a Social Security Number to qualify.

- Uninsured patients: will be screened automatically.
- Insured patients: have to ask to be screened, it won't happen automatically.

## **HOW TO ASK TO BE SCREENED:**

- Call financial services at your hospital.
- IMPORTANT TIP! The hospital must help you in your language. To ask for interpretation, say:
  - "I want a professional interpreter who is fluent in (your language)"
- Then say: "I want to be screened for public health insurance and Hospital Discounted Care eligibility."
  - You will be asked a few questions about yourself and the people you live with.
  - The hospital has to screen you within about 45 days.

## **AFTER BEING SCREENED:**

- The hospital will tell you which programs you might qualify for, and how to apply.
- **IMPORTANT TIP!** If you do not qualify for Hospital Discounted Care, ask your hospital what their policy is it's possible you may still qualify for some financial help.

For more information, visit cohealth.co/hospitaldiscounts