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Oral Health Task Force

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

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Sliding Fee Scale Application

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.

For more information, contact the Oral Health Task Force at 387-2334.

A. Sliding Fee Scale Program.

- 1. This program is available on a yearly basis, and is dependent on grant funding. It covers restorative dental care for children up to grade twelve provided by Drs. Hedstrom and Lindquist's office, Grand Marais Family Dentistry. (Preventative dental care is covered through the Sawtooth Mountain Clinic sliding fee program.)
- 2. The patient will pay a minimum of \$5.00 per visit.
- **B.** Eligibility: Income must be within federal guidelines for family size (see attached chart). You may have other insurance and still be eligible.

C. Instructions for Application:

- 1. Obtain application form from the receptionist from Grand Marais Family Dentistry or at the 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. Examples of proof of income: Photocopy of W-2 form, front two pages of federal income tax return, social security check, pay stubs, or unemployment letter.
- 4. Attach treatment plan from Grand Marais Family Dentistry.
- 5. Submit complete application to the Oral Health Task Force. Call 387-2334 to set up a meeting. You may also give it to the receptionist at the Sawtooth Mountain Clinic.
- 6. (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.

D. Other Area Services:

- 1. Sawtooth Mountain Clinic Sliding Fee Scale Program covers oral health exams: (Twice a year, cleanings as recommended, x-rays, sealants & fluoride provided by Dr. Hedstrom's office, Grand Marais Family Dentistry.)
- 2. **Minnesota Care**, 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.