

## **SLIDING FEE SCHEDULE POLICY**

In light of the current economic down turn and in the spirit of Oakland, the Center for Holistic Health offers a sliding fee schedule for those patients who:

- 1) have been **recently terminated or laid off from work.**
- 2) are **financially strapped, i.e.**, low paying full or part-time job, excessive medical bills, legally disabled, living on fixed income, parent with dependent children.

**This policy is available to all who request it and meet the above requirements.** It is our hope that this helps to remove any financial barriers that prevent one from receiving health care from this office.

Patients, who desire to participate in this program, **must first make an office appointment for an initial health evaluation.** While we endeavor to accommodate all who apply, there may be instances in which this payment plan agreement cannot be met. In these rare cases, the initial health evaluation appointment will be free of charge.

**PLEASE NOTE: The Sliding Fee Schedule arrangement is based on the honor system. This office makes no formal income verifications.** An in-office appointment for an individual health evaluation is a pre-requisite to being accepted into this program. Under no circumstances will specific fees be discussed over the phone.

## **FINANCIAL POLICIES**

1. **Payment is due at the time of service.** We accept cash, major credit/debit cards, and personal checks (with valid driver's license). The rate for the initial visit is **\$235** and includes an initial intake of a health history and comprehensive exam. If treatment is necessary, additional fees apply. If follow up visits are required, the fee for such is **\$65 - \$95**. The Center for Holistic Health offers discount coupons that can be applied to the initial office visit. Please check our official office website for more information - [http://drgergertler.org/clients/3122/documents/New\\_Gift\\_Certificate.pdf?subject=Discount\\_Coupon](http://drgergertler.org/clients/3122/documents/New_Gift_Certificate.pdf?subject=Discount_Coupon)

2. Upon request, a patient's statement can be printed that can be submitted to your insurance company for payment reimbursement.

**If you have any questions regarding our Financial Policies, call our office at**

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