

**158.05 ACTUAL COST TO BE CHARGED PATIENTS.**

The University of Minnesota Hospitals shall treat patients admitted on certificate of the board of county commissioners of any county at rates based on actual cost, as determined by the Board of Regents of the University of Minnesota. Sixty percent of the first \$11,000 in charges against a patient, and all of the charges against a patient in excess of \$11,000, will be paid by the state from appropriations made to the university for this purpose. Before charges are billed to this program, the University of Minnesota Hospitals and clinics shall seek payment from any third-party insurance that is liable for coverage of the patients' care. This program shall be billed for the balance after the third-party payment according to the formula noted above. Any resident of the state, upon a proper showing to the Board of Regents of the University of Minnesota that the resident is unable to pay ordinary physician's fees and hospital charges, may be received upon paying the same rate as charged for county patients. It shall be the duty of the Board of Regents to investigate applications made for such treatment under this section; and, if satisfied of the truth of the allegations made and of the necessity for treatment, the Board of Regents shall admit such patients when there is room in the hospitals.

Students of the University of Minnesota and such other patients as the Board of Regents, to an extent that will not interfere with the primary purpose of the hospitals, as set forth in section 158.02, may direct, may be received in the hospitals when there is room and any fees received from such patients shall be used for the purposes of the hospitals.

**History:** (4581) 1921 c 411 s 5; 1945 c 553; 1976 c 163 s 31; 1983 c 258 s 65; 1986 c 444