

HEALING HAND FOUNDATION FUNDING GUIDELINES

Forms are available at the HHF website, www.hhf-ak.org. Mail, fax, or email including invoices from vendors, to SEARHC c/o HHF Application, 3100 Channel Drive, Juneau, AK 99801. Email: hhfapps@searhc.org or call 907-966-8416.

- Applicant/patient is enrolled as SEARHC beneficiary and resides in a SEARHC Southeast Alaska community. Eligible communities include: Juneau, Wrangell, Sitka, Petersburg, Haines, Gustavus, Klawock, Angoon, Klukwan, Hoonah, Kake, Craig, Kasaan, Thorne Bay, Hollis, Hydaburg, Skagway, and Pelican.
- All United States Veterans with unmet funding needs are eligible.
- Applicant needs are to be current and unmet - not being funded by tribal and/or corporation entities, Medicaid, Medicare, VA or private insurance; no retroactive payment for expenses incurred.
- Healing Hand Foundation does not reimburse for expenses already accrued by patient.
- One application for each applicant may be approved in a 12 month period (from date of last application) with the exception of eyeglasses, which is 24 months.
- Once an application has been approved, and the HHF recipient has paid their portion (20% of total cost), HHF will distribute our portion of the funding.

Durable Medical Equipment (DME)

All DME's are capped at 80%, application should include invoice from provider with total cost

- Hearing Aids are capped at a maximum payment of \$600 per year.
- Eyeglasses are capped at a maximum of \$250 and available once every two years.
- Dentures and partials are capped at a maximum of \$600. Patients should include a treatment plan, signed by a dentist, with total cost.
- Orthodontics are capped at \$600, per family per year. (2 per year if under age 18)
- Special costs up to the maximum limit of \$600, such as lab fees for children with other medical issues will be considered.
- All other DME may be covered at 80%, with a maximum payment of \$600.00 a year.
- Cosmetic procedures will not be covered or deemed as eligible expenses.

Travel

- Travel that falls outside the SEARHC travel policy related to medical treatment will be considered only under extenuating circumstances.

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- Travel is approved once a year per patient only; whether this is one way or round trip.
- Documentation from medical provider will be required for any flight changes or change fees.
- Applicants who “no show” for flights will not be eligible to reapply for one year.
- Staff will try to accommodate requests, but if the ferry or air request is unavailable, staff will procure flights that are soonest available. First class flights will not be approved.
- Bus (or taxi) vouchers may be approved on a weekly or monthly basis. (Note: application must have doctor’s referral stating voucher will be used to travel *to and from* medical appointments.)
- Travel requests should be submitted before noon each business day, Monday through Friday, in order to be scheduled to travel the next business day.

Pharmaceuticals/Other

- Approval for 1-3 months basis for non-formulary prescriptions. This can be helpful until someone is approved for Medicaid or Patient Assistance Programs. Medical provider to give guidance on length of time for prescription coverage.
- All other DME supplies are capped are \$600/per patient per year.