# BEFORE THE BOARD OF HEALTH SPOKANE REGIONAL HEALTH DISTRICT

## **RESOLUTION # 24-04**

RE: ADOPTING A SPOKANE REGIONAL HEALTH DISTRICT TREATMENT SERVICES SLIDING FEE SCHEDULE

WHEREAS, the Spokane Regional Health District Board of Health has determined that revenues from fees are necessary to provide funding for public health services in Spokane County; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Resolution #11-02 Health District Fee Policy, fees are to be determined periodically; and

WHEREAS, RCW 70.05.060 provides that the Board shall, "Establish fee schedules for issuing or renewing licenses or permits or for such other services as are authorized by the law and the rules of the State Board of Health: Provided, that such fees for services shall not exceed the actual cost of providing any such services."

WHEREAS, some patients of the Treatment Services Division do not have health insurance and do not have the ability to pay the established fees for services, and

WHEREAS, Treatment Services has a funding source to provide services on a sliding fee basis,

WHEREAS, the Federal Poverty Guidelines are updated annually by the Federal government and published in the Federal Register,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Board of Health does hereby adopt the attached policy for a sliding fee schedule for the Spokane Regional Health District Treatment Services, Opioid Treatment Program to be updated annually following the Federal Poverty Guidelines.

Signed this 25th day of April 2024 in Spokane, Washington.

SPOKANE REGIONAL HEALTH DISTRICT

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POLICY: Sliding Fee Policy	NUMBER:
DATE ENACTED:	LAST REVIEW:
<b>DIVISION:</b> Treatment Services	APPROVER:

### **PURPOSE**

To provide clients with greater accessibility to the services of the Treatment Services, Opioid Treatment Program who may not have insurance coverage and/or the financial means to pay for the program.

#### **SCOPE**

Treatment Services clients who meet the Federal Poverty Guidelines as outlined annually in the Federal Register.

#### **POLICY**

SRHD Treatments Services, Opioid Treatment Program (OTP) will offer a Sliding Fee Discount Program to all who are unable to pay for their services. SRHD will base program eligibility on a person's household income and will not discriminate based on an individual's race, color, sex, national origin, disability, religion, age, sexual orientation, or gender identity.

The Federal Poverty Guidelines are used in creating and annually updating the sliding fee schedule to determine eligibility.

Services will be provided at no cost for those at 100% Federal Poverty, or at a reduced rate to clients who are between 101% and 220% of Federal Poverty.

SLIDING FEE SCALE FOR FEDERAL POVERTY GUIDELINES (FPG)						
Persons in	100% of FPG	101%-140% of FPG	141%-180% of FPG	181%-220% of FPG	221% of FPG	
Households	100% Discount	75% Discount	50% Discount	25% Discount	0% Discount	
	Minimum Fee	Pay 25%	Pay 50%	Pay 75%	Pay 100%	

Clients will be required to demonstrate that they are eligible annually by completing an application and providing the required documentation for income verification. Clients are responsible for paying the fees not covered by the sliding fee scale as identified by the federal poverty level (FPL) chart located in the application. Unpaid fees will be covered by use of the Substance Abuse Block Grant (SABG) or additional funding opportunities as available, for those meeting eligibility criteria.