

**MASON COUNTY INDIGENT HEALTH CARE PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**September 1, 2017 – August 31, 2018**

All residents over the age of 18 who reside in Mason County and fall 100% within the Federal poverty level may be eligible for medically necessary health care benefits as mandated by the State of Texas pursuant to the programs and services offered by Mason County.

Mason County will use rules and procedures found in the County Indigent Health Care Program Handbook published by the Texas Department of State Health Services. In summary, these are the rules:

1. Application forms must be completely filled out.
2. Verification of identification, income, termination of income, residence, household composition and resources are required.
3. Net income is figured on a gross monthly screening table found in the County Indigent Health Care Program Manual.
4. Liquid resource assets cannot exceed \$2000 or \$3000 if the house contains a relative who is aged or disabled. The equity value of a car cannot be greater than \$4650. Personal property and homesteads are exempt assets.
5. Eligible persons must be a resident of Mason County and intend to stay.
6. Applicants must provide all requested information and documentation requested or applications will be denied.
7. Applicants have the right to appeal adverse decisions.

Mason County will only accept and pay the Standard Payment rates as determined by Texas Department of State Health Services.

Applications can be picked up from Sheree Hardin at the County Judge's Office located at 201 Ft. McKavitt, Mason, Texas, 76856. Applications are also available online at [www.co.mason.tx.us](http://www.co.mason.tx.us).

*Mason County is the payor of last resort. Applicants are not eligible for Indigent Health Care benefits if they are eligible for any other Federal, State or private benefits (Medicaid, Medicare, VA, CHIPS, or other insurance). Program rules and eligibility standards are set by the State of Texas. Mason County does not discriminate on the basis of age, race or gender in administering the Indigent Health Care Program.*