



Colorado Consumer Health Initiative

HB21-1198:

HOSPITAL BILLING REFORM

Coloradans have long been at the mercy of skyrocketing hospital and ER prices. Billing practices leave Coloradans in the dark about what they are paying for and when public health coverage or legally-required discounts are available.



A WIDESPREAD PROBLEM

Since 2018, CCHI has served Coloradans struggling with Hospital Financial Assistance Cases in 12 counties.



OVER \$1.5 MILLION BILLED FOR 133 COLORADANS IN THREE YEARS

CCHI has worked with clients in our Consumer Assistance Program and seen \$1.1 million billed to uninsured patients and over \$400,000 billed to those with insurance for hospital visits.

EVERY COLORADAN SHOULD BE ABLE TO ACCESS NECESSARY HOSPITAL CARE WITHOUT BEING PUSHED INTO CRUSHING DEBT



QUOTES FROM COLORADANS

“My son in-law is struggling with medical bills. They served him with papers due to a medical bill. They cannot afford their electrical bill because of medical expenses.”

Lisa, 52, Pueblo County

“After 2 hospital stays, I received a bill for \$75000 because I was not insured. I was able to negotiate the cost down and get on a payment plan, but even with the cost reduction I was still making huge payments of \$2,500 a month, which is more than my house payment.”

Holly, 62, Larimer County



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