

Access to Cancer Care For Low-Income and Uninsured Patients in Freestone County

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Teague Hospital District

(254) 739-5322 http://thd-ems.tripod.com/id3.html

Freestone County Treasurer

118 E. Commerce, Rm. 102
Fairfield, TX 75840
(903) 389-2180
http://www.co.freestone.tx.us/page/freestone.County.Treasurer

Freestone Medical Center

125 Newman St. Fairfield, TX 75840 (903) 389-2121 https://www.freestonemc.com/



For U. S. Military Veterans

If you are a **veteran**, you may be able to be seen at a **Veterans Affairs (VA) clinic**. To find out more about veterans' benefits, go to https://www.va.gov/health-care/. For more information, contact the Department of Veterans Affairs at the number below:

Health Benefits Hotline: 1-877-222-VETS(8387)

You may also call or visit the following VA facilities in or near **Freestone County**. Clinics are listed alphabetically by city and clinic name.

Palestine VA Clinic

2000 So. Loop 256, Suite 124 Palestine, TX 75801-5977 903-723-9006

https://www.centraltexas.va.gov/locations/Palestine.asp



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For Women

Women who want to get checked for **cervical cancer or breast cancer** may be able to get help through a special program called **Breast and Cervical Cancer Services (BCCS)**. The Breast and Cervical Cancer Services program services include:

- Screening services
 - Clinical breast examination
 - Mammogram
 - Pelvic examination and Pap test
- Diagnostic services
- Cervical dysplasia management and treatment
- Help applying for Medicaid for Breast and Cervical Cancer

You may receive these benefits if you:

- Are a female.
- Are a resident of Texas.
- Are 18 or older.
- Don't have health insurance.
- Meet income requirements (200% Federal Poverty Level)

If you have been diagnosed with breast or cervical cancer and don't have health insurance that will pay for your treatment, you may be eligible to receive full Medicaid benefits by applying for Medicaid for Breast and Cervical Cancer. Contact a Breast and Cervical Cancer Services clinic to see if you qualify for this Medicaid program.

For more information, visit https://www.healthytexaswomen.org/bccs-program or call 2-1-1.

You may also call or visit one of the following BCCS clinics in or near **Freestone County**. Clinics are listed alphabetically by city and clinic name.

Navarro Regional Hospital

3201 W Hwy 22 Corsicana, TX 75110 903-654-6800

https://www.navarrohospital.com/



Ennis Regional Medical Center

2201 W Lampasas St Ennis, TX 75119 972-875-0900

https://www.ennisregional.com/



Hill Regional Hospital

101 Circle Dr Hillsboro, TX 76645 254-580-8500

Cherokee County Public Health Department

803 College Ave Jacksonville, TX 75766 903-586-6191 https://www.hillregionalhospital.com/



http://www.cherokeecountytexas.us/Public Health/publichealth.htm



CHRISTUS Trinity Mother Frances Health System Jacksonville (Ross Breast Center)

2026 S Jackson St Jacksonville, TX 75766 903-541-4500

https://www.christushealth.org/trinity/services-treatments/breast-care/the-ross-breast-center



Family Circle of Care Jacksonville Clinic

510 E Commerce St Jacksonville, TX 75766-4910 903-535-9041

https://www.tylercircleofcare.org/contact/



UT Health Jacksonville

501 S Ragsdale St Jacksonville, TX 75766 903-541-5000 https://uthealthjacksonville.com/



Baylor Scott and White Hillcrest Breast Center

50 Hillcrest Medical Blvd Waco, TX 76712 254-202-4220

https://www.bswhealth.com/locations/waco-hillcrest -breast-center/Pages/default.aspx



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Healthy Texas Women

Healthy Texas Women is a program dedicated to offering women's health and family planning at no cost to eligible women in Texas.

Healthy Texas Women provides a wide variety of women's health and core family planning services, including pelvic examinations, breast and cervical cancer screenings, clinical breast examination, mammograms, and other services.

The program pays only for specific services. If a health problem such as cancer is found, you will be referred to a doctor or clinic that can treat you. You can receive these benefits if you:

- Are a woman between the ages of 18 to 44 years old. (Women are considered 18 years of age on the day of her 18th birthday and 44 years of age through the last day of the month of her 45th birthday.)
- Are a woman between the ages of 15 to 17 years old and have a parent or legal guardian apply, renew, and report changes to your case on your behalf. (Women are considered 15 years of age the first day of the month of her 15th birthday and 17 years of age through the day before her 18th birthday.)

- Are a U.S. citizen or legal immigrant.
- Are a resident of Texas.
- Don't have health insurance.
- Are not pregnant.
- Meet the income requirements monthly family income below 200% Federal Poverty Level. (See website for details.)

For more information, visit the website at https://www.healthytexaswomen.org/healthcare-programs/healthy-texas-women/htw-who-can-apply

or call 2-1-1. Pick a language and then press 2. If you can't connect to 2-1-1, call 1-877-541-7905 (toll-free).

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Appointments

When you go for your appointment, be sure to bring any medical records you have. This information will help the doctor understand your needs better. For example, bring:

- Results of past medical or lab tests
- Records of any treatments you have had
- A list of any medicines you are taking right now

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What if I still cannot get help for cancer care?

If you cannot get help from the county program or a Federally Qualified Health Center, you may want to call one of the hospitals below.

The National Cancer Institute (NCI) has named four cancer centers in Texas as leaders in cancer research. Two centers are in Houston, one is in Dallas and one is in San Antonio. These centers focus on finding new

treatments for cancer through clinical trial testing. To find out more, visit the websites or call the numbers below:

The Dan L. Duncan Cancer Center at Baylor College of Medicine (713) 798-1354 https://www.bcm.edu/centers/cancer-center/

Harold C. Simmons Cancer Center at UT Southwestern Medical Center 214-645-8300 or 817-882-2700

https://utswmed.org/cancer/

The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center

1-877-MDA-6789 (1-877-632-6789)

https://www.mdanderson.org/about-md-anderson/contact-us.html

UT Health San Antonio MD Anderson Cancer Center

1-800-340-2872 or 210-450-1000

https://www.uthscsa.edu/patient-care/cancer-center

You may want to contact other hospitals in your area that may also treat low-income or uninsured patients. You would need to contact each hospital to find out if you can make an appointment to be seen. Please visit the Texas Cancer Information Hospitals page at https://www.texascancer.info/prevscrntreat/hospitals.html to search for a hospital in your area that does cancer screening, diagnosis, treatment or continuing care.

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Where can I learn more about cancer?

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https://supportorgs.cancer.gov/

You may also call the **National Cancer Institute's Cancer Information Service (CIS)** at **1-800-4-CANCER (1-800-422-6237)**.

• The **American Cancer Society (ACS)** also has support groups and information about cancer. You may call **1-800-227-2345** or go to the website: https://www.cancer.org/

- LIVE**STRONG** has information about financial assistance and support groups. Call **1-855-220-7777** or visit the website: https://www.livestrong.org
- **Susan G. Komen for the Cure** is a breast cancer helpline. Call **1-877-456-6636 (1-877-GOKOMEN)** or visit the website: https://www.komen.org
- Visit the Texas Cancer Information (texascancer.info) website at https://www.texascancer.info/ for lists of doctors, hospitals, breast, colon and skin cancer screening services and hospices. You can find support, counseling, education and other help such as transportation, housing and medical equipment by clicking on Find Cancer Services.

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I have been told I have cancer. Where do I go?

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Print or Download Access to Cancer Care for Low-Income and Uninsured Patients

Click on one of the following links to download or print a PDF (updated 05/07/2021) of all access to care information for Freestone County. **Please note: For the most up-to-date information, use the interactive**

search tool at https://www.texascancer.info/access/.

- <u>access freestone.pdf</u> (English)
- <u>acceso espanol freestone.pdf</u> (en español)

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