

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

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Federally Qualified Health Centers

If you cannot get help from the Indigent Health Care Program, you may be able to see a doctor at a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) clinic that will let you pay on a "sliding scale." This means that the amount of money you pay is based on how many family members live in your house and how much money you make. For example, if you have a big family and make just a little money, you would pay less for medical care. If you have a smaller family or make a little more money, you would pay a little more.

For more information and to find the nearest clinic, call the numbers below. Clinics that see adult patients are listed alphabetically by city and clinic name.

HealthPoint Rockdale

1701 Pecos Ave Ste B Rockdale, TX 76567-2570 512-883-1070

https://www.healthpoint-tx.com/locations/rockdale/



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Bell County Public Health District - Killeen Clinic

The **Killeen Clinic** is a small, non-profit clinic that offers medical services to people who may not have other ways to get medical care.

To find out if you would be able to see a doctor, call the clinic at the number below:

Bell County Public Health District - Killeen Clinic

309 North 2nd St. Killeen, TX 76541 (254) 526-8371

https://www.bellcountyhealth.org/clinical/killeen.php



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 **Milam County**. Clinics are listed alphabetically by city and clinic name.

Cedar Park VA Clinic

1401-C Medical Parkway, Suites 200 and 400 Cedar Park, TX 78613-2216 800-423-2111

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



Olin E. Teague Veterans' Medical Center (CTVHCS)

1901 Veterans Memorial Drive Temple, TX 76504-7451 254-778-4811

https://www.centraltexas.va.gov/



Bryan VA Clinic

1651 Rock Prairie Road, Ste. 100 College Station, TX 77845-8652 979-680-0361

https://www.centraltexas.va.gov/locations/Bryan-CollegeStation.asp



Temple VA Clinic

4501 South General Bruce Drive, Suite 75 Temple, TX 76502-1466 254-778-4811

https://www.centraltexas.va.gov/locations/TemplePACT.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 **Milam County**. Clinics are listed alphabetically by city and clinic name.

Community Health Centers of South Central Texas - Bastrop Community Health Center

275 Jackson St Bastrop, TX 78602-4316 512-321-7137

https://www.chcsct.com/locations/



Goodall-Witcher Hospital

101 Posey Ave (S Ave T) Clifton, TX 76634 254-675-8322

https://www.gwhealthcare.org/



Community Health Centers of South Central Texas - Family Health Center at Elgin

711 W 10th St Elgin, TX 78621-1232 512-229-3334 https://www.elginisd.net/domain/710

Hamilton General Hospital

400 N Brown Hamilton, TX 76531 254-386-1600 https://hamiltonhospital.org/



Community Health Centers of South Central Texas - Lockhart Family Practice Center

2060 S Colorado St Lockhart, TX 78644-3951 830-494-4001

https://www.chcsct.com/locations/





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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Bell County Public Health District - Killeen Clinic - Women's Health Services

Please contact the Killeen office of the Bell County Public Health District for women's health services, family planning, STD and HIV testing and treatment, and pregnancy testing. Immunizations are given each Tuesday all day on a walk in basis.

Call the number below for more information or to make an appointment:

Bell County Public Health District - Killeen Clinic

309 North 2nd St.
Killeen, TX 76541
(254) 526-8371
https://www.bellcountybealth.org/clinical

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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/

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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?

• There are many groups that help cancer patients. These groups may offer financial assistance, support services or free information about cancer. You can get a list of these groups from the National Cancer Institute by clicking on or typing in the following link:

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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Click on one of the following links to download or print a PDF (updated 05/07/2021) of all access to care information for Milam County. **Please note: For the most up-to-date information, use the interactive search tool at** <u>https://www.texascancer.info/access/</u>.

- <u>access_milam.pdf</u> (English)
- <u>acceso espanol milam.pdf</u> (en español)

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