(1) Even if your income is above the forty percent SMI limit to receive SCSA-funded services at no cost, you may receive SCSA-subsidized services. The department uses a sliding fee schedule to determine what percentage the department pays for the cost of your services. You pay the remaining amount, but not more than the usual rate paid for services, as negotiated by the AAA or the department. The formula for determining the department's share of the cost of the services is:

\[
\frac{100\% \text{ State Median Income (SMI)} - \text{Household Income} \times 100}{100\% - 40\% \text{ SMI}}
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(2) Service providers must be responsible for collecting fees owed by eligible persons and reporting to area agencies all fees paid or owed by eligible persons.

(3) Some services are provided at no charge regardless of income or need requirements. These services include, but are not limited to, nutritional services, health screening, services under the long-term care ombudsman program, and access services. Note: Well adult clinic services may be provided in lieu of health screening services if such clinics use the fee schedule established by this section.

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