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Consumer Health Care Costs: The Hospital Safety Net

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Hospital Financial Assistance: Sliding Scale

Nonprofit hospitals in Oregon must have a financial assistance policy that provides for adjusting a patient’s costs as follows:

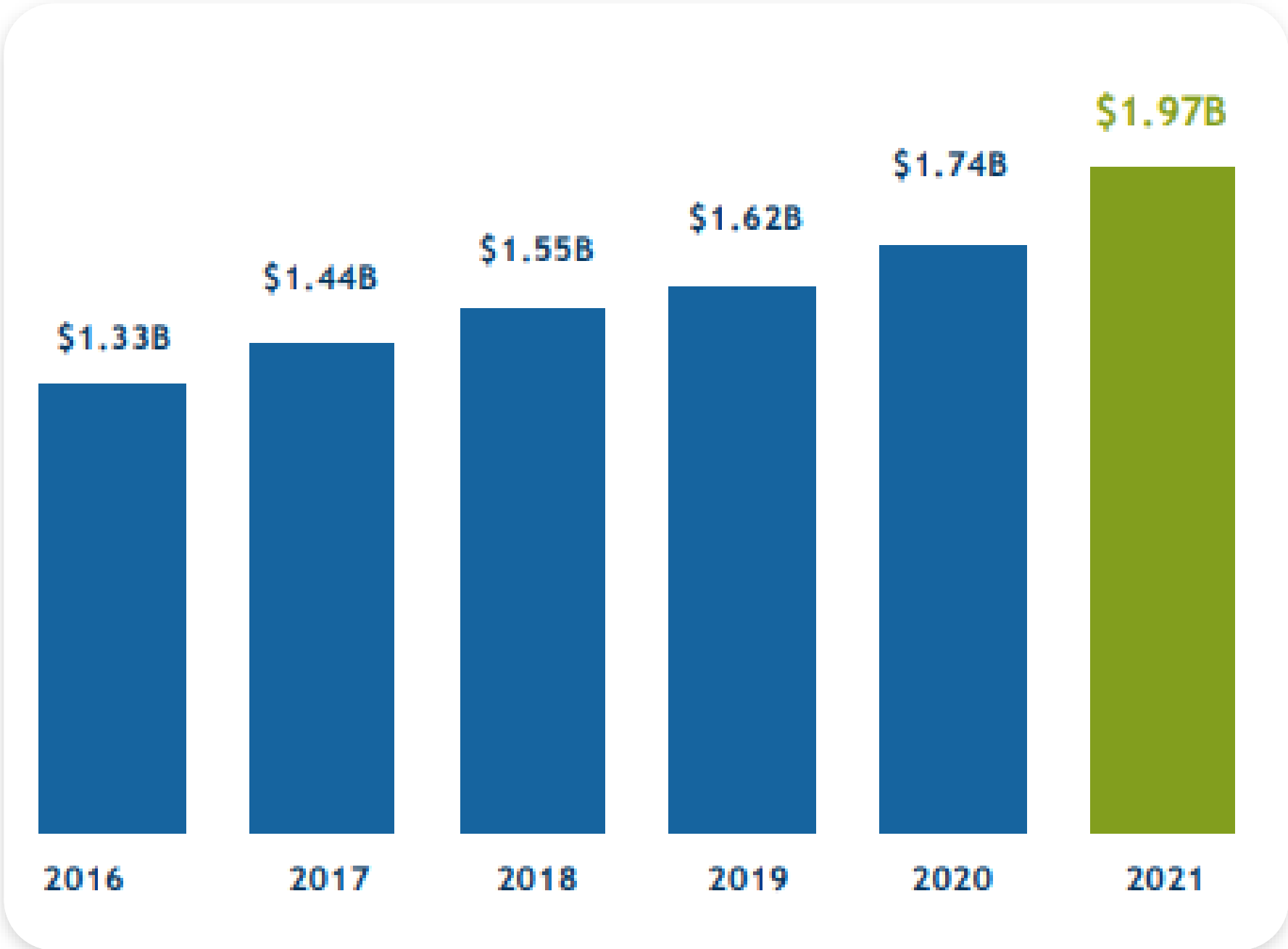
Household Income Range	Annual Income for a Family of Four (2023)	Minimum Financial Assistance Adjustment (percent reduction)
Up to 200% FPL	Up to \$60,000	100%
>200% – 300% FPL	> \$60,000 - \$90,000	75%
>300% – 350% FPL	> \$90,000 - \$105,000	50%
>350% - 400% FPL	> \$105,000 - \$120,000	25%

FPL = Federal Poverty Level

Hospital Community Benefit

Total hospital community benefit increased 12.9% to \$1.97 billion between FY 2020 and 2021.

Community benefit spending has increased by roughly 48.4% since 2016.

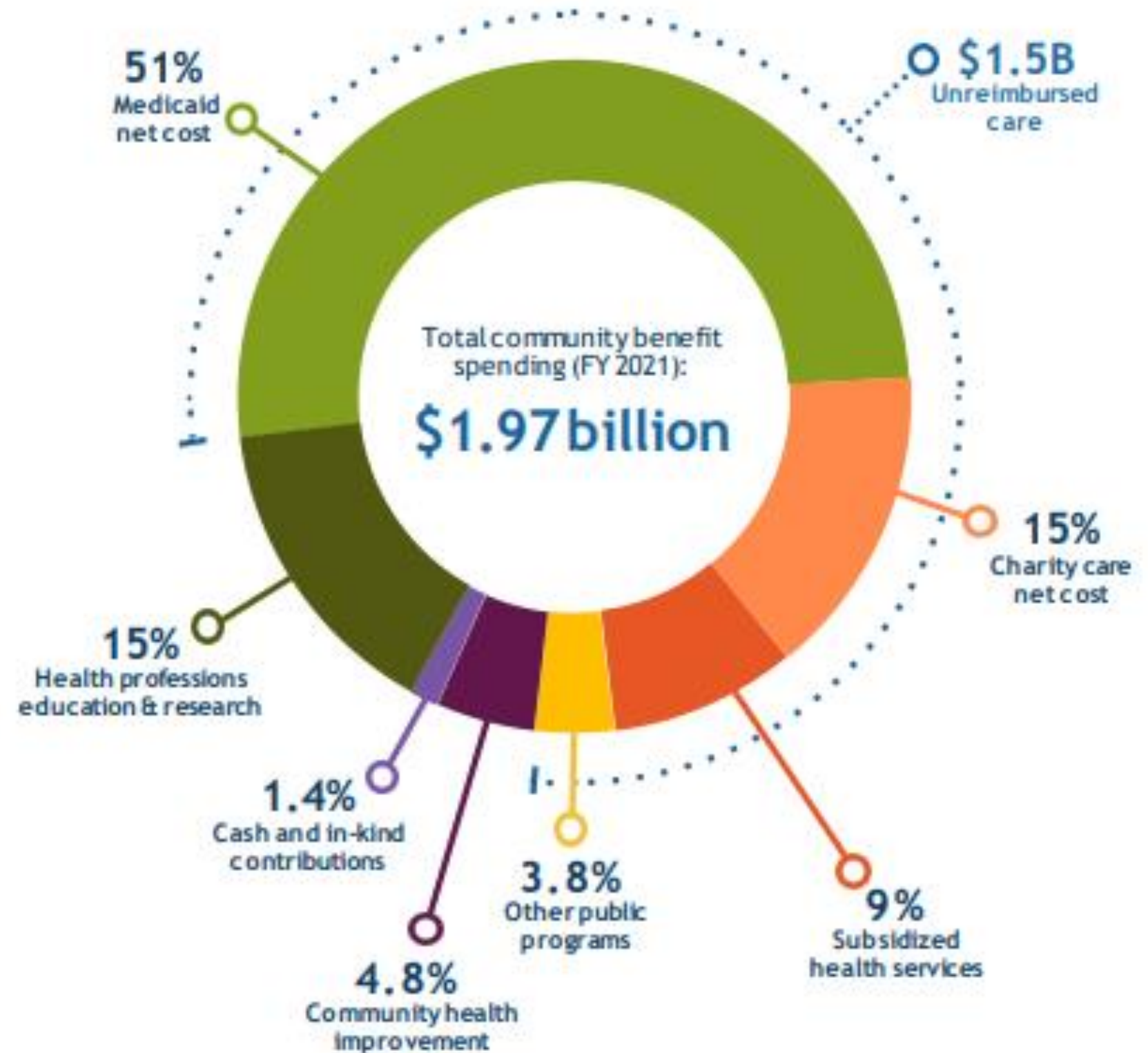


Unreimbursed Care

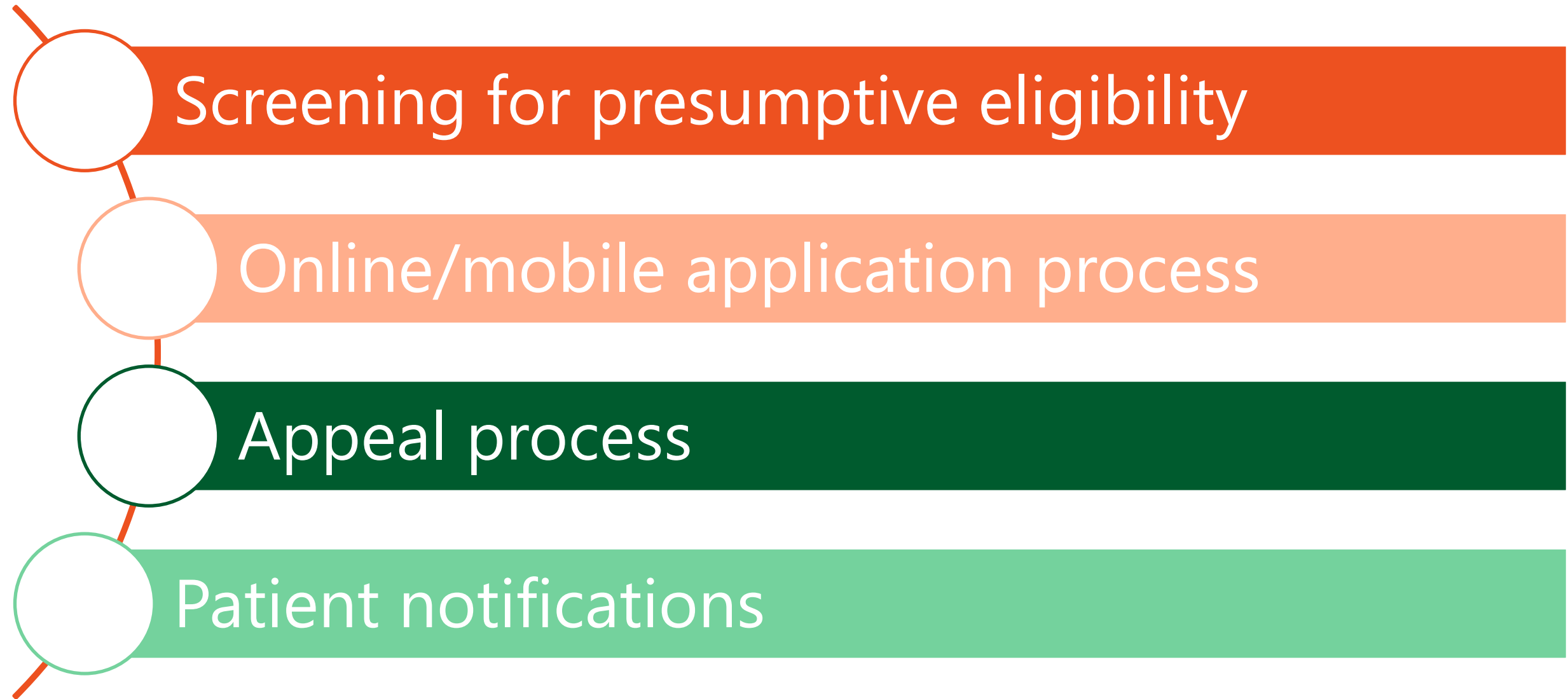
In FY 2021, Oregon hospitals provided over \$1.5 billion in care that was not reimbursed.

That includes \$291.6 million in charity care.

This investment came despite difficult financial conditions for hospitals.



Examples of Patient Protections in HB 3320 (2023)





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