



NEW SPECIALTY AVAILABLE: Gender-affirming health care

Project Access Northwest now offers access to gender-affirming specialty health care services. Patients enrolled with Project Access Northwest can receive care at this clinic at no cost to them.

What is this clinic? Where is it located?

Located at the Swedish Community Specialty Clinic on Seattle's First Hill, this specialty clinic provides gender-affirming health care for transgender and gender-nonconforming people. The clinic is a referral resource for primary health care providers who have patients who are either:

- at risk of acquiring HIV, or
- transgender and gender-nonconforming

At the clinic, patients can access personalized, patient-centered care to address their unique health care needs, including HIV prevention and/or gender transitioning. This clinic is open to patients in King, Snohomish and Kitsap counties.

What services are available at this clinic?

- Physician office visits, screening and medications for pre-exposure prophylaxis for those at risk of acquiring HIV. This care is **not limited** to the LGBTQI+ community; it is available to all at-risk patients.
- Health care to aid transgender and gender-nonconforming patients so they might obtain the necessary health care to aid in their transitions.

How much do patient visits cost?

Patients enrolled with Project Access Northwest will receive donated care, at no cost to them. There are no patient co-pays or deductibles for our patients. For patients with insurance or Medicaid, the appropriate insurance carrier or health plan will be billed.

What about tests and medications?

Patients enrolled with Project Access Northwest will receive tests at no cost, and they will be connected with the Prescription Drug Assistance Network to help find assistance with medication. For those patients with insurance coverage — including Medicaid — the appropriate insurance carrier or health plan will be billed.

How do referrals to this clinic work?

Like any other referral to Project Access Northwest, referrals for gender-affirming care should include a referral form, and office visit notes, with patient history and physical. If the patient is under 18, please contact Project Access Northwest for specific guidance.

Patient eligibility:

Through our Care Coordination Program, we work with patients who:

- Are uninsured or enrolled with Apple Health;
- Have incomes up to 300% of the Federal Poverty Level;
- Are referred by a medical or dental care provider in a safety net clinic; **and**
- Have a specialty health care need, but no specialty provider.

OUR VISION: *Everyone in our community will have access to appropriate health care services.*
For more information, please contact Project Access Northwest: info@projectaccessnw.org or 206-788-4559.