

Driscoll Children's Hospital

- Driscoll Children's Hospital recognizes the need to provide emergency services to all residents of its community, including low-income and needy patients, and provides these services regardless of a patient's ability to pay. Approximately 79.82% of all visits to Driscoll's emergency departments are made by charity, self-pay, or Medicaid patients.
- Driscoll recognizes that the state infant mortality rate exceeds 5% each year and the hospital is focused on reducing this rate by providing the latest in medical technology and specialized care to newborns across the region. Over 61.10% of neonatal intensive care services are to charity, self-pay, or Medicaid patients.
- Patients requiring psychiatric services are often one of the most under-served populations in a community, and Driscoll strives to ensure that these patients receive appropriate care. Approximately 68.05% of the primary diagnosis behavioral services Driscoll offers in its facilities are provided to charity, self-pay, and Medicaid patients.
- Dedicated to our continued effort to improve the community's access to pediatric physician specialists , Driscoll recruited a pediatric ENT. In addition to recruiting pediatric specialists to the community Driscoll also credentialed 5 new physicians to the medical staff of its hospital.
- Driscoll continues to provide a variety of health services to Nueces and surrounding counties to meet the needs of the underserved community:
 - These programs include but are not limited to: Community Health Fairs, health education, physician education, and therapy camps. These activities represent a community benefit of approximately \$46,000.
 - The Driscoll transport program provides emergency transports services via ambulance and air transport. Most of the children transported would not otherwise have had the means to access the service. From October through December 2012, there were 261 transports.