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FINANCIAL POLICY

Thank you for choosing us for your medical care. Our goal is to provide you with the highest quality medical care at affordable cost. To make our services available to as many patients as possible on an affordable basis, we have adopted the financial collection policy outlined below. We ask you to read the policy carefully and sign prior to any treatment.

- WE MAY ACCEPT ANY ASSIGNABLE INSURANCE WITH APPLICABLE COVERAGE.
- WE OFFER FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE (DISCOUNT, WAIVER OR REDUCTION OF DEDUCTIBLES, CO-PAYS AND CO-INSURANCE) UNDER OUR INDIGENCY POLICY TO ALL ELIGIBLE PATIENTS ON CASE-BY-CASE BASIS.
- FULL PAYMENT IS DUE AT TIME OF SERVICE UNLESS ARRANGED OTHERWISE.
- WE ACCEPT CASH, CHECKS, OR VISA/MASTERCARD, AND AMERICAN EXPRESS CARD.
- WE OFFER AN EXTENDED PAYMENT PLAN WITH PRIOR CREDIT APPROVAL.

Dishonored checks will be charged back to the patient's account with a service fee of \$25.00. Dishonored checks not redeemed within 20 working days of written notice to the maker will be referred to the prosecutor for collection.

Regarding Insurance

We may accept assignment of insurance benefits at our discretion if acceptable insurance identification is provided. Acceptable insurance identification is defined as a valid insurance card, policy/plan with applicable coverage, or telephone verification. As a courtesy to our patients, verifiable and assignable insurance will be billed by this surgeon's office. However, you will be personally responsible for your account balance regardless whether or not if your insurance will pay for the total balance of your claims, unless you're eligible for discounts under our indigence policy predetermined before the services are rendered. Your insurance policy/employee benefits plan is a contract between you and your insurance company/employee benefits plan. We are not a party to that contract. In the event we do not accept assignment of benefits we require that you be pre-approved on our extended payment plan by providing a credit card or personal checking account with authorization to charge that amount for the balance due, if your insurance company/employee benefits plan has not paid your account in full within 45 days or has determined your claims to be your responsibility for the reasons of annual deductible, co-payment, non-covered services and not medically necessary.

We incorporate by reference the document entitled Consent/Disclosure Form that details the Legal Assignment of Benefits and Designation of Authorized Representative. This constitutes an express and knowing assignment of ERISA breach or fiduciary duty claims and other legal and/or administrative claims. Unless revoked, this assignment is valid for all administrative and judicial reviews under PPACA, ERISA, Medicare and applicable federal or state laws. A photocopy of this assignment is to be considered as valid as the original.

If a patient chooses or is required to bill his/her own insurance, this office will provide an itemized statement and a HCFA-1500 Form to the patient, but will treat the account as a self-pay.

Regarding Discount

We may offer discounts, reduction or waiver of deductibles, co-insurance and co-pay to any eligible patients based on medical needs and ability to pay on a case-by-case basis under our Corporate Indigency Policy in accordance with applicable federal and state laws. You may apply for medical indigency discount assistance by asking our practice manager to determine if you are eligible.

Regarding Surgeon and Facility Charges

We will disclose to every patient our surgeon charges as clearly as practically possible before your medical or surgical procedures if it is known to us. Please feel free to ask our staff if you have any questions about charges and your payment responsibilities.

As you may be aware, your insurance company requires your doctors and surgeons to charge and bill the services separately from surgical facilities or hospitals. You shall not be surprised that you will receive separate surgeon, anesthesiologist, diagnostic labs, radiologists, pathologists, and others in addition to the surgical facility bills for your surgery. If you have any questions about your surgical facility bills, please direct your questions to that surgical center.

While we don't anticipate any unforeseeable circumstances, we have no control over any such event(s) that may arise. Should you require additional medical or surgical care in any event of the post surgical complications and reactions, you may incur additional expenses at this facility or outside this facility, such as a hospital.

The charges only include the stated date of services at this facility and do not include any other date of services from us or other providers and facilities.

Regarding PPO and HMO Network Participation

As you may know, you may have choice to choose a surgeon or surgical facilities with or without PPO or HMO participation under different insurance coverage and benefits levels. We are dedicated to providing highest quality care to every patient; however, we have no power to change your insurance coverage or network limitations. Most health care plan or insurance policies may provide surgical coverage to non-PPO providers and facilities, but at lower percentage of insurance reimbursement. Although it is your responsibility to verify your insurance coverage for non-PPO/HMO providers, we will always disclose to you as to our participation status to your insurance plan. We also provide every patient with information regarding financial assistance or discounts with high deductible plans or coinsurance per our Corporate Indigency Policy in accordance with federal and state laws.

We will verify your insurance coverage and obtain pre-certification, if applicable, for all services as a courtesy to you before your medical services. Please understand that all insurance verification is not a guarantee of insurance payment.

Compliance & Disclosure under Texas Occupation Code – Section 102.006

In compliance with Section 102.006 of Texas Occupations Code in connection with my informed consent and personal choice of doctors and facility solely based on the quality and safety of care, reputation of patient satisfaction, and my knowledge in my decision-making in

Patient's Initials _____

