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YOUR INSURANCE IS ULTIMATELY YOUR RESPONSIBILITY

To our **Valued Patients:**

Your co-pay/co-insurance/deductible payment amount is due and payable at the time of your visit.

Please take a minute to do the following:

- ◆ Check your insurance company to determine if authorization is required for your specialist visit and/or procedure.
- ◆ Find out which diagnostic facility you can go to.
- ◆ Contact our office if we will need to get authorization for your visit and/or procedure.

Thank you.

Please sign below stating that you have read, understand, and agree to the above insurance office policy. You, our patient, are ultimately responsible for your own insurance requirements.

Please **PRINT** Name

Signature

Date

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IMPORTANT NOTICE

It is illegal and a breach of contract for a physician to **waive deductible and co-payment charges** to beneficiaries for items and services. A deductible is the amount that must be paid before the insurance company, Medicare or Medicaid, pay for any items or services for that individual. A co-payment is the portion of the cost of an item or service which the individual must pay.

Routine waiver of the deductibles and co-payment charges is unlawful because it results in (1) false claims; (2) violations of the anti-kickback statute; and (3) excessive utilization of items and services paid for by insurance companies, Medicare, or Medicaid.

The only exception to a waiver of the deductible or co-payment charge by a physician is in consideration of a particular patient's financial hardship and then only under very special circumstances.

Submission of a claim where a physician has routinely waived deductible and co-payment charges subjects that physician to **criminal, civil, or administrative liability**, according to the following **Federal Laws**: 18 U.S.C. 287 & 1001; 31 U.S.C. 3729; 41 U.S.C. 1320a-7b(b); 42 U.S.C. 1320a-7a; 42 U.S.C. 1320a-7(b)(6)(B); and 42 U.S.C. 1320a-7(b)(7).

PLEASE DO NOT ASK US TO BREAK THE LAW.