



PHOENICIAN PAIN CENTER

FINANCIAL POLICIES AND ARRANGEMENTS

We recognize the need for understanding the areas of payment arrangements and insurance filings. This sheet has been put together to address some of these areas for you.

INSURANCE, FILING/BENEFITS/PAYMENT

There are numerous insurance plans with which we have contracted to receive payment directly from the insurance company. With these plans, the patient is generally required to meet a deductible or make a co-payment. If you are covered by one of these plans, please show us your card. Be prepared to make your co-payment, or pay for your office visit if your deductible has not been met at the time of service. We accept cash, checks, Visa, and MasterCard. With plans that we are not contracted with, you will be asked to pay at the time service is rendered.

If we are billing your insurance for you, it is extremely important that you furnish us with accurate and updated information so your claim can be filed. It is your responsibility as a consumer to know what benefits are covered by your insurance plan. Most insurance carriers have numerous plans that cover different types of services. Contraception, immunizations, and other services, may not be covered on your particular plan. Services provided that are not a covered benefit are your responsibility and payment is due at the time services are rendered. If you have questions as to what services are covered, contact member services (the number is listed on your insurance card). We will set aside the portion of the balance estimated to be paid by your insurance carrier for 45 days. If your carrier does not remit payment within 45 days, you will be responsible for the full balance. This office cannot accept responsibility for collecting your insurance claims or for negotiating a settlement on a disputed claim, you will continue to receive statements until the account is paid in full.

PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS

Payment is expected at the time of service. If you do not have your co-pay at the time of service, your visit may be rescheduled. Also, we recognize the need to set up payment plans for patients who require extensive treatment. Our business office will be happy to help you with these arrangements.

DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS

Bills that are delinquent for more than ninety (90) days may be transferred to an outside collection agency unless prior arrangements have been made. If you have questions or think an error has been made, please discuss them with us prior to the 90 days in order to help us resolve this.

RETURNED CHECKS

There is a \$25.00 service fee for checks returned for insufficient funds. We belong to the Maricopa County Attorney's Check Enforcement Bureau. We request a copy of your driver's license or ID card as identification.

CANCELLATION OF APPOINTMENTS/ NO-SHOW APPOINTMENTS

We ask that you give us 24 hours notice to cancel an appointment. If you do not cancel an appointment, you can be charged \$25.00 as this will be considered a no-show. Three no-show appointments are grounds for dismissal from the office.

ADVANCED BENEFICIARY AGREEMENT

Medicare and other insurance plans will only pay for services that they determine to be reasonable and necessary under section 1862 (a) (1) of Medicare Law. If payment is denied for services or tests, (i.e. routine exam/lab work, vaccinations, contraception, procedures, and non-related diagnoses for the services provided), then the patient is personally and fully responsible for payment.

Consent for Treatment

I consent to evaluation and treatment of the condition for which I, or my child or dependant, have come to Phoenician Pain Center and authorize the physicians and other health care providers affiliated with Phoenician Pain Center & Phoenician Medical Center group of companies to provide such evaluation and treatment. I understand that health care providers in training may be involved in my care and treatment and consent to their involvement. I understand that the practice of medicine is not an exact science, and acknowledge that no guarantees have been made to me regarding the likelihood of success or outcomes of any examination, treatment, diagnosis, or test performed at or by Phoenician Pain. I authorize Phoenician Pain Center to examine, use, store and dispose of all tissue, fluids, or specimens removed from my body. I acknowledge and agree that this consent will be applicable to all visits or episodes of evaluation and treatment at Phoenician Pain.

Consent for Shared Electronic Medical Records

I understand Phoenician Pain Center shares an electronic medical record system (eclinicalworks) with Phoenician Medical Center Group of Companies. I also understand only the minimum necessary will be viewed by staff members and only for continuation of patient care.

Please feel free to discuss any concerns you may have with our office staff. Our staff is dedicated to making your visits with us as pleasant as possible. **It is your responsibility to know what is covered by your insurance plan as well as being financially responsible for any services denied or not covered by insurance.**

I have read and agree to the above policy of Phoenician Pain Center. I understand the contents and by signing below accept the aforementioned financial responsibilities.

Patient/Guardian's Signature: _____ Date: _____