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# PATIENT FINANCIAL AGREEMENT

## **Patient Responsibilities**

- . You are responsible to provide us with accurate billing information for each family member at the time of service.
- . If your insurance company requires you to choose a primary care provider (PCP), it is your responsibility prior to your visit to ensure that you have authorization for your visit with us. Please be advised that an insurance referral may be required prior to your visit. If a referral is not obtained, you may be responsible for charges. Our billing staff is available to provide you with assistance but cannot resolve disputes between you and your insurance company.

### All patient payment is due at the time of the appointment.

## **Copayments**

- . Your insurance company requires you to pay your copay at the time of each visit.
- . Your copay may be paid with cash, check, credit card, or debit card.
- . If your check is returned, a \$25.00 returned check fee will be assessed.
- . If you do not have insurance coverage, you will be expected to pay at the time of your visit.

# **Deductibles**

- . It is your responsibility to understand any deductibles that may apply to you under your insurance policy.
- . Our billing department will send you a statement of the amount your insurance company has determined is applied to your deductible and is owed by you.

#### **Insurance Information**

- . It is your responsibility to ensure that we have accurate insurance information. Presenting an invalid or inactive insurance card will result in full payment by you. Please be advised that our office does not accept any vision plans.
- . Medical insurance does not always cover the entire cost of your medical care. If we believe a service we offer is not covered by your insurance coverage, we will tell you.
- . In some instances, however, we do not learn that a service is not covered until after we submit a bill. You are responsible for payment if your insurance company refuses to pay for a service.

### **Home Address and Telephone Numbers**

- You will be asked to complete a patient registration form that asks for important information about you. Please complete this form to the best of your knowledge and keep us informed of any changes on subsequent visits.
- . It is important that we have accurate information on the guarantor. This is the person who is financially responsible for your bills.

#### **Assignment and Release**

I understand that I am financially responsible for all charges whether or not paid by insurance. I hereby authorize the doctor to release all information necessary to secure the payment of benefits. I authorize the use of this signature on all insurance submissions. Recent changes in insurance regulations shorten the time frame for claim submissions. I agree to pay any out of pocket expenses in full to Chicopee Eyecare within thirty days from today's date for uncovered or denied services by my presented insurance coverage.

Signature	Date
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