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FINANCIAL POLICY

As your Physicians, we are committed to giving you the best possible medical care. To achieve this goal, we need your assistance, and your understanding of our financial policy.

We ask that all payments are made when services are rendered unless suitable arrangements are made with our billing office for prompt payment of the balance. If you have insurance, please present your insurance card for verification at EVERY visit to our office. If your insurance changes, please notify our billing office immediately.

Accepted Commercial Insurance including BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD PPC (FLORIDA), AETNA, AVMED, United Healthcare and CIGNA - As providers of various commercial insurance companies, we ask that the co-pay and deductibles (if applicable) be paid in full at the time of your visit. We accept assignment for services covered and will bill your insurance. Any balance outstanding following payment from your insurance will be billed to you.

CO-PAYS AND DEDUCTIBLES-We expect that all co-pays will be paid at time of service.

MEDICARE- We are participating Medicare providers, and we will file Medicare for you. Any service routinely not covered by Medicare (i.e. Routine Annual Yearly Complete Exams) will be expected to be paid for at the time of service. We will request payment for the 20% of the allowable Medicare charges and any deductible that has not been met at the time of your visit.

UNINSURED: If you pay your entire bill on the day of your appointment, you will receive a 40% discount. We are not legally able to extend this discount to those with health insurance.

WORKER'S COMPENSATION AND AUTO INSURANCE: We do not participate in the treatment of illnesses in Worker's Compensation claims. Nor do we handle the initial emergency care from automobile accidents.

FINANCIAL AGREEMENT: We will be glad to discuss your proposed treatment and the cost of those services. If you have questions regarding coverage for a medical service under your policy, we will be glad to assist you with getting the answers from your insurance company. **HOWEVER, please be aware that your insurance is a contract between you, your employer (if applicable) and the insurance company. We are not a party to your contract.** Unfortunately, not all services are a covered benefit in all contracts. Also, physicians have legal contractual agreements with your insurance company by which they must abide. These agreements demand proper coding of visits.

We must emphasize that as your physicians, our relationship and foremost concern is with you and your health, not with your insurance company. **ALL CHARGES FOR SERVICES ARE YOUR RESPONSIBILITY AT THE TIME OF THE SERVICE. It is your responsibility to know your insurance and what is and is not covered, as far as is possible.** On any balance on your account after 90 days, collection action will be taken. We realize that emergencies do arise and may affect timely payment of your account. If such extreme cases do occur, please contact our Billing Office promptly for assistance in the management of your account.

I HAVE READ, UNDERSTAND, AND AGREE TO THE FINANCIAL POLICY FOR GAINESVILLE INTERNAL MEDICINE PHYSICIANS.

PRINT NAME _____

DATE _____

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