

The Breast Center, P.C.

Financial Policy

Your clear understanding of our Financial Policy is important to us. **Please read carefully.** If you have any questions or concerns regarding the Financial Policy, please do not hesitate to speak to someone in our billing office.

The Breast Center accepts **most** insurance plans, but it is the patient's responsibility to confirm our participation with either our office or your insurance company.

All Patients:

- The patient is primarily responsible for all charges incurred for services and procedures rendered at The Breast Center.
- We accept cash, checks, money orders, American Express, Visa, MasterCard and Discover.
- A returned check fee of \$35.00 will be assessed on any and all returned checks.
- Delinquent accounts over 90 days will be referred to our collection agency. All costs of collection is the liability of the patient.
- Accounts carrying a balance over 90 days will be transferred to our agency and payment arrangements can be made with them.
- Depending on your services you may receive statements from The Breast Center, WellStar and/or Quantum Radiology.
- Fees for surgical procedures will vary depending on the service(s) provided. We will assist you in pre-certifications if required. Any deductible or co-insurance amount that is the patient's responsibility will be due prior to surgery.
- If the patient does not speak English, it is their responsibility to obtain an interpreter to assist in completing and understanding any documents. This person must be age 18 or older.

Uninsured Patients:

- Uninsured patients are expected to pay for services in advance unless prior arrangements are made. Please do not hesitate to ask what the fees are for any services. If payment of charges imposes a financial burden, please speak to the billing office to set up a specific payment arrangement. We will make every effort to assist you with your needs.

Surgical Patients:

- All procedures cancelled or rescheduled within 3 days of the surgery date will be charged a \$150.00 non-refundable administration fee. This fee will be waived if it is cancelled by a physician.

Medicare Patients:

- All physicians at The Breast Center are providers for Medicare. We will submit claims to Medicare and any supplemental insurance you have. Any remaining balance is the patient's responsibility after payment from insurance and contract adjustments have been made.

Medicaid Patients:

- All Medicaid patients are required to present a current Medicaid card at every visit. If your Medicaid plan changes, it is your responsibility to make sure The Breast Center has the correct information for billing purposes. If your claim is denied, you are responsible for the fees incurred.