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## **PATIENT FINANCIAL ADVISORY**

### **NON-COVERED SERVICES**

\_\_\_\_\_(initials) I understand Southwest Allergy and Asthma Center (SWAAC)'s contractual agreement with health care service plans relates only to items and services which are deemed "covered" by the individual health plan. Consequently, I accept full financial responsibility and agree to pay out-of-pocket for all items or services which are deemed "non-covered" by the individual health plan.

### **HMO REFERRALS**

\_\_\_\_\_(initials) I understand that if my insurance company has designated a primary care physician (PCP), I am required to have prior authorization from my PCP prior to my office visit. If the authorization is not provided, whether by the Guarantor or through the insurance carrier, the Guarantor will be asked to either reschedule the appointment or pay for the visit out-of-pocket at the time of service.

### **SELF-PAY ACCOUNTS**

\_\_\_\_\_(initials) Self-pay accounts are those (1) with no available health insurance coverage at the time of service or (2) are covered by an insurance carrier with which SWAAC does not participate. I agree to be individually responsible to pay the full charges at the time of service if I have a self pay account.

### **CHANGES TO COVERAGE**

\_\_\_\_\_(initials) I understand that it is my responsibility to advise SWAAC of any changes with my insurance carrier, to confirm the practice's participation, and my eligibility prior to each visit. I agree to pay the full charges of all services rendered by SWAAC if services are deemed "non-covered."

### **SERVICES RENDERED**

\_\_\_\_\_(initials) I agree that in return for services provided to the patient by SWAAC, the account balance will be paid at the time service is rendered or I will make appropriate financial arrangements satisfactory to SWAAC for payment. If co-payments, deductibles or co-insurance amounts are designated by a contractual agreement to an insurance provider or health plan, I agree to pay these amounts to SWAAC. I understand and agree that if my account is delinquent, my account may be referred to a third-party agency for collections and fees may apply if such services are utilized. If extenuating circumstances should prevent me from providing payment, I may discuss the matter with a Treatment Coordinator.

- As a courtesy, SWAAC files claims to your insurance provider. If you are covered by insurance, it is your responsibility to understand the provisions under which you are covered.
- Missed or cancelled appointments with less than a 24 hour notice will be subject to a \$25 no-show fee.
- A minimum fee of \$25 may be assessed to release medical records.
- In the event that a guardian shares custody of a patient, the guardian present at the time of service is responsible for payment in full at that time. If you have a court order requiring treatment costs to be shared, it is the responsibility of the guardians to make appropriate arrangements prior to treatment.
- All returned checks will be assessed a \$25 fee.

**My signature below indicates I understand and agree to pay in full any balance unpaid by my insurance provider.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Patient's Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Patient's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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\*Legal Representative's Printed Name

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Legal Representative's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

*If representative, specify relationship to patient*