



Financial Policy

Thank you for choosing the Weill Cornell Physicians in Rehabilitation Medicine for your health-care needs.

The following is our payment policy which we require you to read and sign prior your visit(s).

Patients have many different types of insurance and payment options for services rendered. Also, not all physicians in the practice accept the same type of insurance. To ensure that we have accurate information to process your claim, we will make a copy of your medical insurance and/or Medicare card at the time of your appointment.

You are required to inform us immediately of any changes in demographic information or medical insurance information. Patients without medical insurance are required to pay in full at time of service.

We understand that financial hardships may affect your ability to pay in full. We will always do everything we can to work with you. Please ask to speak to our Billing Coordinator, Tatum Lewis, at 212-746-1807 to discuss a satisfactory arrangement.

Participating Plans

You must present your insurance card, and if applicable, your insurance referral form, at every visit. We will submit your medical claim directly to your insurance company for payment on your behalf. Patients without insurance cards or proper referrals will be asked for full payment at time of service.

Non-Covered Services

If your **provider does not participate** in your insurance plan or your **services are not covered by your insurance plan**, you are responsible for payment of all charges at the time of service. We can submit the claim directly to your carrier or a claim can be mailed to you.

Copayments and/or Deductibles:

The Healthcare Financing Administration (otherwise known as HCFA) is the federal government agency responsible for setting policy and overseeing the Medicare/Medicaid programs. HCFA has mandated that physicians and other providers of care Must Collect Copayments and Deductibles. This is enforced by the Office of Inspector General (OIG). The reasoning behind this is that if your doctor waives your copayment or deductible he/she is in effect giving you a discount. Therefore if he/she is willing to provide this service to you at a discount, he should also give a discount to the Insurer. The second reason is that the insurers objective for requiring copayments and deductibles is to cause you (the insured), to have a shared cost of your healthcare, thereby reducing unnecessary consumption of covered services.

All co-pays, deductibles and non-covered services will be collected at time of service.

Payment

For your convenience, the following payment methods are accepted **cash, personal check, Visa, MasterCard, American Express, and Discover.**

I authorize payments to be made directly to the Weill Cornell Medical College Department of Rehabilitation Medicine and fully understand that I am the responsible party for all charges incurred by me or my dependents at this facility. I also authorize the release of any and all information required to collect and process my medical insurance claims. I have read the policy, I understand and agree to it.

Print Name of Patient or Responsible Party

Signature of Patient of Responsible Party

Today's Date