

IMPORTANT INFORMATION: PLEASE READ CAREFULLY.

If pre-certification is needed, please the office and leave voicemail:

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Before your procedure, you must call your insurance company to check if they need a Pre-Certification (approval) for the procedure. If you don't do this, your insurance may deny the claim, and you will have to pay all the costs from both the doctor and the medical facility. Also, check with your insurance to make sure your plan covers the procedure. Share the following codes with your insurance company when you call:

Gastroscopy: (43239) Colonoscopy: (45380)

Flexible Sigmoidoscopy: (45330)

ERCP: (43260)

Upper Endoscopic Ultrasound: (43242) Lower Endoscopic Ultrasound: (45392)

Esophageal Manometry: (91010)

Barrx Procedure: (43270)

Office Procedure
Outpatient Procedure

It is the <u>patient's responsibility</u> to check with your insurance company to make sure the procedure is covered by your health plan.

***If you have HMO insurance, it is your responsibility to make sure our office receives your referral before your procedure date. If we don't get the referral in time, your procedure may be canceled.

IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO LET OUR OFFICE KNOW ABOUT ANY CHANGES TO YOUR INSURANCE AT LEAST 72 HOURS BEFORE TO YOUR PROCEDURE. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY RESULT IN CANCELLATION OF YOUR PROCEDURE.

SEDATION AND PATHOLOGY:

You will get a separate bill for anesthesia and pathology services.

If you have any questions about these bills, please contact the providers directly:

- Medi-Corp (Anesthesia): 866-226-9156
- Southwest Gastro (Pathology): 815-401-1184

Our office does not bill these services and cannot help with insurance issues related to them.

CANCELLATION FEE:

Because of rising costs, if you don't cancel your procedure at least 3 business days in advance, you will be charged a \$250 cancellation fee. This fee will not be covered by your insurance, and you will have to pay it yourself.

ON THE DAY OF YOUR PROCEDURE:

- Please wear comfortable clothing.
- Please leave all valuables at home, including jewelry.
- Bring an updated list of medications, including the name, dosage, and frequency of each medication. Please include all prescription medications, over-the-counter medications, and herbal supplements. If easier, you may bring the medication bottles instead.