



Payment, Patient Balance, and Credit-Card Policies

PAYMENT POLICY

All professional services are charged and are payable at the time of service. All patient out-of-pocket financial responsibilities are collected at the beginning of each appointment and are payable by check, cash or major credit card. Patients who are unable to pay the out-of-pocket financial portion, as required by their insurance company, might be denied treatment at their scheduled appointment time. A receipt can be provided to you for each session.

INSURANCE PROCESSING

Your provider utilizes a third-party billing company to file most of their insurance claims. Patients are advised that they are ultimately responsible for communications with their insurance company to determine eligibility of coverage, benefits, and any copayments, coinsurances, and/or deductibles connected with the subscriber's policy.

OUTSTANDING PATIENT BALANCES

Periodically, a patient might receive a statement from the provider's billing company reflecting an outstanding balance on their account. This is usually created due to a discrepancy between what was collected at the time of session and what was the actual patient out-of-pocket responsibility. Patients will have 30 days to make a full payment on these outstanding balances (unless other arrangements have been made) or they can be subject to interest and penalties on that outstanding balance. **Balances paid 30 days or more late due to client's inability to pay and/or failed transactions for any reason will be charged a servicing fee of 5% of the overdue balance.**

COLLECTIONS PROCESS

When sufficient efforts to collect an outstanding patient balance have been made accounts may be turned over to a collections agency. Balances over 45 days due with no payments toward that balance due after two emails with statements have been sent to client from A Balanced Life LLC constitute sufficient effort to collect an outstanding patient balance. If this occurs, the collection agency becomes the primary way a patient can clear any outstanding balance. Please be advised that collection agencies have the authority to impose long-term, financial ramifications on patients who do not settle outstanding balances.

PAYMENT POLICY - CREDIT-CARD, CASH, CHECK

In an effort to lower administrative costs associated with outstanding patient balances, clients may elect to pay for services, deductibles (out of pocket amounts due), other balances due, co-insurance, and/or, co-pays by check or cash.

Cash Payments - Clients who choose to pay by cash may bring cash to their appointment. When deposited the account administrator will send the client a receipt with a description of the payment. If using cash, clients are encouraged to pre-pay up to three months of co-pays, co-insurances, or other balances and deductibles. The monthly statements will show how the advance cash payment is applied to the client account.

Check payments - Clients who choose to pay by check may bring a check to their appointment for copays and balances due. When deposited the account administrator will send the client a receipt with a description of the payment. If paying by check, clients are encouraged to pre-pay up to three months of co-pays, co-insurances, or other balances and deductibles. The monthly statements will show how the advance payment is applied to the client account. ***Clients will be assessed a \$40 returned check fee should a check be returned with non-payment by the bank for any reason.***

Electronic payments - Clients who choose to keep an *active* major credit card in their secured electronic health record account to be used exclusively by **A Balanced Life LLC** as the primary form of payment on outstanding balances that accrue as part of the treatment they are receiving, will be charged a 3.5% convenience fee for any client balance due at the time such payment is collected using the credit card. ***Prepaid credit cards are not accepted at A Balanced Life LLC.***

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In order to utilize this service, please place the requested credit-card information in the area below.

Outstanding balances will automatically be charged to the credit-card on file and will be reflected on the monthly credit-card statement as paid to the company listed at the top of this document.

If the credit-card on file either expires or is declined during the credit-card transaction process (for any reason), it will be the card-holder's responsibility to immediately advise **A Balanced Life LLC** and provide them with an alternate credit-card or another form of payment to clear the patient balance. ***\$40.00 will be charged for payments declined at the time of collection,*** and full payment plus the service charge will be required prior to the next scheduled appointment.

CREDIT-CARD INFORMATION

Credit-Card Number	Expiration Date	Security Code	Billing Zip Code
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Name as it Appears on Credit-Card	Relationship to Patient	Credit-Card Signature
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Billing Address Associated with this Credit Card

I have carefully read the above payment, patient balance and credit-card policies for this practice. My signature below confirms I understand them and agree to comply with them:

INFORMED CONSENT AND AGREEMENT TO TERMS AND CONDITIONS

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Printed Patient's Name	Date	Signature
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Card-holder's Name	Date	Signature
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if under 18, Parent/Guardian Signature is required:

Printed Parent/Guardian Name	Date	Signature
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