**ENDOSCOPY AND COLONOSCOPY PROCEDURE BILLING**

Welcome and thank you for choosing Middlesex / Monmouth Gastroenterology (a Division of Allied Digestive Health, LLC) for your Gastroenterology care. We would like to share the following information with you to help you understand your responsibility regarding charges for the services rendered to you by our physicians.

If you have questions regarding insurance or billing, please do not hesitate to contact our Billing Office (732-222-3805).

( ) If your physician performs an endoscopy/colonoscopy procedure at our **Endoscopy Center (Freehold Endoscopy**

 **Associates),** you may receive invoices for the following services:

* For the **gastroenterologist’s** **professional services (**from **Allied Digestive Health, LLC)**
* For the **anesthesiologist’s professional services (**from **Allied Digestive Health, LLC OR** from **NJHE)**
* If required, for **pathology** (e.g. polyp removed for laboratory analysis) services performed as part of your procedure, you may receive a bill from **Allied Digestive Health Pathology Services.**

**NOTE: Certain insurances and managed care plans (Horizon BCBS, Amerihealth) may require your pathology to be sent to DiAnon Laboratories. You may receive your pathology services bill from DiAnon.**

**AND**

* For the **facility services (**from **Freehold Endoscopy Associates, LLC**. (Facility Phone: 732-845-0990)

( ) If your physician performs an endoscopy/colonoscopy procedure at the hospital, you may receive invoices for the following

 services:

* For the **gastroenterologist’s professional services (**from **Allied Digestive Health, LLC)**
* For the **anesthesiologist’s professional services (**from the **hospital’s anesthesiology service)**
* If required, for **pathology** (e.g. polyp removed for laboratory analysis) services performed as part of your procedure, you may receive a bill from the **hospital’s pathology service.**
* For the **facility services (**from **the hospital where the procedure was performed.)**

**“Screening” vs. “Diagnostic” Coverage**

Insurance companies often provide screening coverage for **routine screening** colonoscopy only. However, if during your routine screening colonoscopy, the physician removes a polyp or performs a tissue biopsy, the procedure may be considered **diagnostic** and may not qualify for coverage as a screening. In this case, you may be responsible for all or part of the procedure cost. It is important for you to discuss this with your insurance provider to determine your out-of-pocket costs in these instances. We can assist you by providing procedure code and diagnosis information that may be needed when you inquire about your coverage.

**Please read the “Colonoscopy: Screening, Surveillance or Diagnostic” information sheet included in your scheduling packet.**

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, have received a copy of “Endoscopy and Colonoscopy Procedure Billing” notice from Middlesex/Monmouth Gastroenterology, and I agree to the terms of the policies.

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