

BARKLEY SURGICENTER, INC.

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

Does the facility file insurance claims?

Yes. The facility will file your insurance claim. We will also file to your secondary insurance as a courtesy. You will be responsible for any co-payments, coinsurance amounts, and/or deductibles.

Does Barkley Surgicenter participate in the Medicare Part B program?

Yes. The facility is a participating provider.

Is Barkley Surgicenter accredited?

Yes. Barkley Surgicenter is accredited by Joint Commission (JCAHO). JCAHO is considered the **Gold Standard** in health care. The facility is owned and operated by the physicians of Gastroenterology Associates of S.W. Florida, P.A.

Is the facility fee included with the Dr. Bill for my procedure?

No. Each entity bills separately. You will receive the following bills when undergoing a procedure:

- Gastroenterology Associates of S.W. Florida, P.A. (Your physician bill)
- Barkley Surgicenter, Inc. (The Facility Bill "hospital bill")
- Anesthesia Bill
- Pathology Bill – You will only receive this bill if you have tissue removed.

Does the facility participate with my insurance plan?

We participate in many plans; however, if you are unsure, please contact your financial counselor at (239) 275-8452, ext. 116.

What if my insurance requires a pre-authorization?

The Admissions Secretary will contact your insurance company to obtain a pre-authorization. However, we do request that you contact your primary care physician upon leaving our office and let them know the date, time, and type of procedure you will be having. This will help meet the requirements of advance notification to your primary care physician's office.

How long does it take for my insurance to process my claim?

Most insurance companies pay claims within 45 days of your procedure date. If you have not received notification from your insurance company within this time frame, you should contact your insurance carrier to assure prompt payment.

What will the charges be for my procedure?

The facility is unable to supply exact charge amounts prior to the procedure because we have no way of knowing if additional procedures (such as polyp removal and/or biopsies) will be performed. The facility, upon request, will supply you with an estimate.

Is there a separate charge for the follow-up (post procedure) visit?

Yes. The follow-up visit should be pre-scheduled so that the test results can be explained to you when you are fully awake. This visit is usually 10-14 days after the procedure. This visit is separate from the procedure and if your insurance company requires a co-pay then you will be required to pay this on the day of the follow-up visit.

If I do not have insurance or I am unable to pay my balance, can I make payment arrangements?

Yes. However, payment arrangements are granted based on financial need. In order for the facility to properly evaluate your individual needs, you must contact your Financial Counselor at (239) 275-8452, ext.506.

Ownership Notice:

Barkley Surgicenter, Inc. is owned and operated by:

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You have the right to receive your surgical care at the provider of your choice. Other facilities your physician can provide services at are:

Cape Coral Hospital
Gulf Coast Hospital
Sanctuary Surgery Center

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