

## INFORMATION REGARDING SURGERY CENTER CHARGES

The Suffolk Surgery Center and attending physicians participate in most insurance plans. Therefore, provided that you provide us with accurate and complete information with respect to your insurance coverage and that you have met any applicable deductibles; your surgical procedure should be covered with little or no out of pocket cost to you. This of course depends on the type of coverage that you have.

Medicare typically covers 80% of the “reasonable and customary” charge for your procedure. If you have secondary insurance, the remaining 20% will be billed to your secondary carrier provided we have information on file regarding your secondary insurance. Medicare does require us to balance bill you for deductibles and coinsurance. We comply with those requirements.

Our anesthesia providers are independent of the surgery center. They will bill your primary and secondary insurance directly, again provided that we are informed about your insurance coverage prior to your surgery date. Occasionally, they (anesthesia providers) may not participate with a plan that the surgery center and your physician accepts. In that rare situation, you may receive a bill for anesthesia services.

If you have any questions regarding anesthesia services, please call (631) 475-7695.

Finally, if tissue was removed during your surgery, it must be examined by a pathologist. Again, pathology services and billing are independent of the surgery center. Most often, the pathology bill will be covered by your insurance company.

Representatives from our billing office will be happy to answer any questions or concerns that you may have regarding your procedure. You can reach our billing department by calling (631) 205-9090.