

## **Understanding your Surgery Billing**

As you prepare for your surgery, we want you to understand how you will be billed for the services you receive. The success of your surgery depends on a team effort by many dedicated professional, including those in our office. Since government and insurance rules allow us to bill only for our facility, you will receive separate bills from other professionals involved in your care, such as the surgery facility and anesthesiologist.

Depending on your specific surgery or procedure, you will receive at least two separate bills and probably more. We do realize that multiple bills can be confusing. Our staff will do their best to assist your with questions and will refer you to the proper sources of information. If you have any questions about your bill, please do not hesitate to contact us at (406) 926-1088.

The following is an explanation of the bills you may receive.

### **1. Surgeon' Billing**

Since the surgeon performing your surgery is not an employee of the surgery facility, your surgeon will bill you separately for services performed. It is Scott C. Wyman M.D. practice to collect your estimated amount due before services are provided. We advise you to contact your insurance company as well to verify your surgery benefits and coverage.

### **2. Surgery Facility Billing**

You will receive a facility fee bill from the entity where the procedure was performed. This bill includes staff, supplies and equipment used for services provided by that facility. Questions and payments regarding this bill should be addressed directly to that entity.

Community Medical Center – (406) 728-4100

Big Sky Surgery Center – (406) 542-6559

St. Luke's Community – (406) 676-4414

### **3. Anesthesiologist Billing**

The anesthesia you received during your surgery is provided by an anesthesiologist who is not a staff member of our facility. You will receive a separate bill for the services provided by the anesthesiologist.

Questions regarding this bill should be addressed to

Missoula Anesthesiology - (406) 728-8420

### **4. Other Bills**

Depending on several factors relating to your surgery, you may receive other services for which you will be separately billed. These bills will not be sent by Missoula Women's Health Montana Robotic Surgery, but will be sent to you by the facility or entity performing those services. These additional bills may include but are not limited to:

**Laboratory/Pathology Bill** – This bill may include charges for blood and /or urine test, charges for tissue sampling and diagnoses, allergy testing, etc.

**Radiology Billing** – Charges may include services for X-ray, such as angiogram, MRI's CT scans, ultrasounds or other diagnostic testing.

**Cardiology Billing**- Charges may include services for Electrocardiograms (EKG's), cardiology consults, etc.

**Durable Medical Equipment Bill**- These charges include the fee for equipment on loan to you from a medical supply company. The company supplying the equipment will send you their bill.

**Physical Therapy Bill** (if applicable) – If physical therapy service are needed before or after your surgery, your surgeon will refer you to a physical therapist. These bills will be sent from the physical therapist's office and questions should be addressed to that office.