



Patient Financial Responsibility Policy

Thank you for choosing the ALTUS SPINE AND JOINT PAIN CARE, PLLC, as your health care provider. Dr. Jaime A Sued, is committed to providing you quality care. Providing quality care depends on the Clinic being paid for the services that it provides. This form describes the Practice Patient Financial Responsibility Policy. You must read and sign this Patient Financial Responsibility Policy before you receive treatment at the Clinic.

You must pay the Clinic your co-payment/co-insurance obligation before or on the day of your visit. The Center accepts cash, checks and credit cards (Visa, Mastercard, Amex or Discover). You are responsible for paying the balance of the practice fee after your service, which may be satisfied by either you or your insurance company paying the Practice fee. The Practice charges what is usual and customary for this area. You are responsible for paying the Clinic full charge, even if your insurance company pays a lesser amount based on its arbitrary determination of what constitutes usual and customary rates.

The Center does not have the authority to bill your insurance company unless you provide the Practice the correct insurance information and assign your benefits under your insurance plan to the Practice (in a separate form). Your insurance policy is a contract between you and your insurance company. The Practice is not a party to that contract, and therefore, has no right to require the insurance company to pay it for the services that you receive at the Practice.

If your insurance company does not pay your account in full within 90 days of your service, or if your insurance company issues a check directly to you to pay the account, the Practice will bill you the balance of the account. If you do not pay the balance, the Clinic has the right to initiate collection proceedings against you. In that case, you will be responsible for not only the balance of your bill, but you will also be responsible for all the fees that the Clinic incurs in the process of collecting this amount, including collection agent fees, attorneys' fees, and court costs.