



Patient Financial Responsibility Disclosure Statement

Your signature below forms a binding agreement between Independent Orthopedica, P.A., (IO) the provider of medical services, and the Patient who is receiving medical services, or the Responsible Party for minor patients (those patients under 18 years of age). Responsible Party is the individual who is financially responsible for payment of medical bills.

All charges for services rendered are due and payable at the time of service.

Medical Insurance

We have contacts with many insurance companies and we will bill them as a service to you. We accept the allowed contracted rate and will bill only any patient responsibility set by your Insurance Companies. As the responsible party you are responsible if your insurance company declines to pay for any reason.

The person signing in behalf of the Patient as the Responsible Party must:

- Inform IO of the current address and phone number for the patient and the responsible party.
- Present all current insurance cards prior to each office visit.
- Verify at each visit that the information is current by signing a data sheet.
- Pay any required copay at the time of the visit.
- Pay any additional amount owing within 30 days of receiving a statement from our office. When IO receives an explanation of benefits (EOB) from your insurance company, any amount that you need to pay will be billed to you.

Return Check Policy

If a payment is made on an account by check and the check is returned a Non-Sufficient Funds (NSF), Account Closed (AC) or Refer to Maker (RTM), the patient or the Patient's Responsible Party will be responsible for the original check amount in addition to a \$25.00 Service Charge. Once notice is received of the returned check, IO will send out a letter to notify the Responsible Party of the returned check. If a response is not made within 15 days from the letter date by the Patient or the Responsible Party, the account may be turned over to our collection agency and a collection fee will be added to the outstanding balance-in addition to the \$25.00 Check Service Charge.

Non-Payment on Account

Should collection proceedings or other legal action become necessary to collect an overdue account the patient or the patient's responsible party understands that IO has the right to disclose to an outside collection agency all relevant personal and account information necessary to collect payment for services rendered. The patient or the patient's responsible party understands that they are responsible for all costs of collection including but not limited to interest due at 18% APR, all court costs and Attorney fees and a collection fee will be added to the outstanding balance.



Patient Financial Responsibility Disclosure Statement (cont.)

By signing below you agree to accept full financial responsibility as a patient who is receiving medical services or as the responsible party for minor patients. Your signature verifies that you have read the above disclosure statement, understand your responsibilities and agree to these terms.

Patient Name (please print) _____

Patient signature _____ Date: _____

By entering your name, you are signing this document.

Responsible Party Name (please print) _____

Responsible Party Signature _____ Date: _____

By entering your name, you are signing this document.