## Emir Primary Care Payment Policy

**Payment Policy**

**1. Insurance.** We participate in most insurance plans, including Medicare. If you are not insured by a plan we do business with, payment in full is expected at each visit. If you are insured by a plan we do business with, but don’t have an up-to-date insurance card, payment in full for each visit is required until we can verify your coverage. Knowing your insurance benefits is your responsibility. Please contact your insurance company with any questions you may have regarding your coverage.

**2. Co-payments and deductibles.** All co-payments/co-insurance and deductibles must be paid at the time of service. This arrangement is part of your contract with your insurance company. Failure on our part to collect co-payments and deductibles from patients can be considered fraud. Please help us in upholding the law by paying your co-payment at each visit.

**3. Proof of insurance.** All patients must complete our patient information form before seeing the doctor. We must obtain a copy of your driver’s license and current valid insurance to provide proof of insurance. If you fail to provide us with the correct insurance information in a timely manner, you may be responsible for the balance of a claim.

**4. Claims submission.** We will submit your claims and assist you in any way we reasonably can to help get your claims paid. Your insurance company may need you to supply certain information directly. It is your responsibility to comply with their request. **Please be aware that the balance of your claim is your responsibility whether or not your insurance company pays your claim.** **You may be billed a co-payment or co-insurance based on the determination of the your insurance company. You are responsible for your co-insurance, co-payment or deductible.**

**5. Coverage changes.** If your insurance changes, please notify us before your next visit so we can make the appropriate changes to help you receive your maximum benefits. If your insurance company does not pay your claim in 45 days, the balance will automatically be billed to you.

**6. Nonpayment.** If your account is over 30 days past due, you will receive a letter stating that you have 10 days to pay your account in full. Partial payments will not be accepted unless previously negotiated. Please be aware that if a balance remains unpaid, we may refer your account to a collection agency and you may be discharged from this practice. If this is to occur, you will be notified by regular or certified mail that you have 30 days to find alternative medical care. During that 30-day period, our provider will only be able to medically screen and stabilize you on an emergency basis.

Thank you for understanding our payment policy. Please let us know if you have any questions..

**I have read and understand the payment policy and agree to abide by its guidelines:**

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