

Financial Breakdown for Procedures

Please note that there are four components involved regarding fees for procedures which are all billed separately.

If your claim was denied by the insurance company, the patient is financially responsible for the services rendered. We strongly urge our patients to contact their insurance companies before services are rendered to better understand their coverage. We must emphasize that the provider's relationship is strictly with the patient, not the insurance company. It is the patient's responsibility to know and understand the level of services covered by their insurance.

Professional Fees

Katy Integrative Gastroenterology, will bill for the professional component of the fees (Professional Fees), for procedures performed in an outpatient facilities. If you are having a "screening" Colonoscopy, we will verify your benefits to ensure you have screening benefits or you have not already used your screening benefits and bill your insurance accordingly. For "screening Colonoscopy" most insurance only allow ONE screening colonoscopy between 45-75 yrs of age, ONE every 10 years. If you are having a "Diagnostic" procedure such as a Colonoscopy due to symptoms, or an EGD, your estimated payment of \$500.00 is due in full 1 week prior to the procedure being performed for Dr. Tamerisa's portion. It is the patient's responsibility to submit payment to our office over the phone or in person. If payment has not been collected within 72 hours of the procedure, the procedure may be cancelled.

If you have 2 insurance carriers, the office will verify benefits and collect from you if there is a patient responsibility due, if not we will bill both of your insurance and allow them to process your claim.

Facility Fees

Our team at Katy Integrative Gastroenterology and our facilities, Kingsland Surgery Center, will work diligently to ensure that patients who are scheduled at this facility meet certain requirements so that we can avoid financial hardships for our patients. If our patient meets the criteria required to be scheduled at the facilities, the facility will contact you to discuss and collect their fees. If you do not match the criteria required to have the procedure performed at Kingland Surgery Center, we will notify you immediately. Please be aware that if we change your facility, it may be on a different day. Please note below is the estimated facility fee. A more detail amount will be provided to you by the facility prior to your procedure being performed.

Your facility cost may vary depending on the contract amount they have with each insurance company.

- For "SCREENING COLONOSCOPY" the facility will bill your insurance and allow your claim to process claim accordingly.
- For "DIAGNOSTIC PROCEDURES"- please see below- may be subject to your deductible and co-insurance.
 - For a "SINGLE PROCEDURE" such as an EGD or a Colonoscopy your estimated payment of \$3,599.00.
 - For a "DOUBLE PROCEDURE" which is you an EGD and a Colonoscopy your estimated payment of \$5,398.00.
 Please keep in mind that this is just an estimated amount as the cost may vary depending on if you your deductible, and whether it has been satisfied or not.

Kingsland Surgery Center- 21720 Kingsland Blvd Ste. 101 Katy, Tx. 77450 phone: 281-492-1234

Anesthesia Fees

Our team may utilize the services of a third-party group, MD Gastroenterology Anesthesia Services, PLLC which may be out of network with your insurance. Most Anesthesiologists in the US are not in network with any commercial insurance. After your procedure, they will submit a claim to your insurance on your behalf separately. Please note that Katy Integrative Gastroenterology and Zazen Surgery Center <u>do not</u> have access to any information pertaining **to MD Gastroenterology Anesthesia Services**, PLLC billing practices, records, credentialing, or an estimate of any fees which can incur. If you receive a bill from MD Gastroenterology Anesthesia Services, PLLC, please call them directly at **(713)-429-4828** as they will be able to further assist you. The only insurance they are contracted with is Blue Cross Blue Shield and Medicare.

Pathology Fees

At the time of your procedure, there may be samples collected and submitted for biopsy. Our team may utilize the services of a third-party laboratory, Mangini-Lakhia & Associates (MLD Pathology). After your procedure, they will submit a claim to your insurance on your behalf separately. MLD Pathology is in network with most commercial insurance carriers. Please note that Katy Integrative Gastroenterology and Kingsland Surgery Center do not have access to any information pertaining to **MLD Pathology's** billing practices, records, insurance credentialing, or an estimate of any fees which can incur. If you receive a bill from MLD Pathology, please call them directly at **(713)-590-3510** as they will be able to further assist you.



MD Gastroenterology Anesthesia Services, PLLC

Regarding MD Gastroenterology Anesthesia Services, PLLC:

Thank you for allowing MD Gastroenterology Anesthesia Services, PLLC to provide the highest level of comprehensive anesthesia care for you. This letter is to inform you of our billing practices for the services you have received. There are multiple billing components for your procedure which include: 1) drugs, supplies, and the use of the facility's services and equipment, 2) the professional services of the surgeon, 3) the technical services and professional services for pathology/specimen/biopsy removed, and 4) the professional services of the anesthesia provider (allowing MD Gastroenterology Anesthesia Services).

MD Gastroenterology Anesthesia Services will bill your primary and/or secondary insurance payor for your anesthesia services and make every effort to get our charges fully paid by your insurance or payor. If your insurance payor, However, deems the anesthesia services are not medically necessary or non- covered according to their policies, **you will be billed at our current self- pay rate of \$400.**

• For in-network claims, MD Gastroenterology Anesthesia Services will receive payment with an Explanation of Benefits (EOB) from your payor, which explains any copays, deductibles and/or coinsurances owed by you in accordance with your insurance policy. You will be responsible for paying your patient responsibility portion as required by your insurance payor which will be due upon receipt of Statement.

• For Out-of-Network claims, we are unable to predetermine the payment your insurance payor will make and therefore, unable to accurately quote the portion of the payment for which you will be responsible. MD Gastroenterology Anesthesia Services makes every effort to collect all the payments directly from your insurance payor. As soon as the EOB is received, an appeal will be submitted under the RAPs clause, which states if the facility and physician are both in network, out-of-network claims should be processed as in-network as well.

• If you receive a statement from us, please read the statement carefully, as there may be additional comments or communication from the billing specialists written. You may need to call your insurance, as they may require an additional step from the you, the member, in order to get services covered. If you receive an EOB from your insurance before you receive a statement from us, please contact us directly with any questions.

• Patients with no insurance coverage will be billed at the current self- pay rate of \$400.

• If you wish to pay for anesthesia services without submitting a claim to your insurance, please call us to discuss further.

• The payor may send you their payment for our services. In this case, please follow these instructions:

• Endorse the check and mail the payment directly to: MD Gastroenterology Anesthesia Services, PLLC

• 16360 Park Ten Place, Ste 310 Houston, TX 77084

• OR make personal check in the amount of total due and mail payment to MD Gastroenterology Anesthesia Services, PLLC. If you have any questions about anesthesia billing for the procedure you are having or have had, please

contact MD Gastroenterology Anesthesia Services at 713-429-4828.

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