

Dear Medicare Patient:

St. Anthony Clinic is an outpatient department of St. Anthony Regional Hospital. As an outpatient department, we are required to bill for the services provided in this clinic in two amounts, one for the professional services of the physician and one for the cost of operating the clinic.

You will normally receive two Explanation of Benefits statements (EOBs) for each visit to this clinic, one from Medicare Part B (for payment of the professional services) and one from Medicare Part A (for the payment of the clinic cost). Each of the EOBs will reflect a copayment amount for the visit. The copayment amount for the Part B portion is 20% of Medicare's allowable fee for the physician's professional services. The copayment amount for the Part A portion is a fixed amount, based on national cost averages and adjusted for certain local factors.

Medicare requires that we provide you with an estimate of your Part B and Part A copayment amounts. These will vary depending on the number and types of services you receive. Based on the types of services we normally provide in this clinic, your Part B copayment amount is likely to range from \$2.00- \$32.00 if you have an office visit, \$2.00- \$12.00 if you have a radiology procedure and \$5.00- \$30.00 if you have a minor procedure. Your Part A copayment amount is likely to range from \$15.00-\$18.00 if you have an office visit, \$10.00- \$40.00 if you have a radiology procedure and \$10.00- \$50.00 if you have a minor procedure. Medicare will make the calculation of the exact copayment amounts when they process your claim.

For those individuals with a standardized Medicare supplemental insurance plan, your out-of-pocket expenses may remain the same. Please contact your insurance carrier if you have specific questions. For those beneficiaries that should need financial assistance, options are available by talking with a patient financial representative in the Business Office at St. Anthony Regional Hospital and can be reached at 712-794-5233.

If you have questions about Medicare's hospital outpatient payment system, please call the Medicare helpline at **1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227)**, or call the Business Office at 712-794-5402.

Thank You,

St. Anthony Clinic