

Oak Tree Anesthesia Associates, LLC

Providing Professional Anesthesia Services for patients of Oak Tree Surgery Center

Assignment of Benefits: In consideration of the services provided to me, I hereby assign and transfer to Oak Tree Anesthesia Associates, LLC (OTAA) all medical provider benefits payable and any related rights existing under the insurance policies described (but not to exceed the amount of Practice charges for this admission or other amounts as may be provided by an agreement between OTAA and my insurance company. I authorize and direct the insurance company to pay all such benefits to OTAA. I understand that this assignment does not relieve me of any responsibility I may have for payment of charges not paid by the insurance company, unless otherwise provided by the terms of an agreement between the insurer and OTAA.

Authorization to Release Claims Information: I hereby authorize OTAA its employees, contractors, and agents, to release and disclose all information that has been and that will be received, recorded or compiled by any or all of them concerning my, the patient's, medical care and treatment to all appropriate persons for the purpose of evaluating claims for payment or reimbursement for charges and expenses under any public Title XVIII of the Social Security Act (Medicare) or any private reimbursement which may have a bearing on benefits payable by or on behalf of any such person. I hereby authorize OTAA its employees and agents to act on my behalf in completing claims including any appeal process.

Precertification & Financial Responsibility: I understand that my insurer may require compliance with utilization review (UR) program to ensure that plan benefits are justified. I understand that it is the insurer's UR program's responsibility to review proposed elective admissions and anticipated courses of treatment. I understand that if the UR program determines that the admission is necessary and appropriate and issues certification, the benefits of my health plan will be made available to me in accordance with the terms of my policy. However, if certification is denied, healthcare benefits may be withheld. I understand that OTAA is willing to provide professional anesthesia services as requested by my attending physician. I also understand that I may be financially responsible for all related charges incurred as a result of this admission should the UR review program refuse to certify that the admission or a specific service was appropriate or should the certification effort occur too late to be valid. I understand that to protect myself from unnecessary personal financial obligations, I must review my obligations with my insurance company, UR program and personal physician without delay and in advance of my admission.

Authorized Representation: I do hereby name OTAA to act as my authorized representative in requesting a complaint, an appeal, and documents from my health insurance provider regarding services rendered by OTAA. I understand and agree that 1) this authorization is voluntary; 2) my health information may contain information created by other persons or entities including healthcare providers and may contain medical, pharmacy, dental, vision, mental, health, substance abuse, HIV/AIDS, psychotherapy, reproductive, communicable disease and health care information; 3) I may not be denied treatment, payment for healthcare services, or enrollment or eligibility for healthcare benefits if I do not sign this form; 4) this authorization will expire one year from the date I sign this form. I may revoke this authorization at any time by notifying OTAA and/or health insurance provider in writing; however, the revocation will not have an effect on any actions taken prior to the date my revocation is received and processed.

Signature of Patient/Authorized Guardian Signature

Date

PATIENT NOTICE REGARDING ANESTHESIA SERVICES

Anesthesia services are provided at Oak Tree Surgery Center by OTAA. OTAA contracts and employs certified Medical Doctor Anesthesiologists as part of the anesthesia care team.

Anesthesia services will be billed separately from the services of Oak Tree Surgery Center.

For billing questions or concerns, please call: 732-924-3488 or 1-800-242-5080

In the event that OTAA is not a participating provider with your insurance plan, OTAA will work with your insurance carrier through various appeal efforts in order to minimize any penalties or costs that your insurance says that you owe. We are often able to negotiate with your insurer to reduce your out-of-pocket expenses that may result from OTAA's out-of-network status, but we cannot guarantee a result. You will also be required to pay the deductible and/or co-pay amounts determined by your policy/plan.