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Thank you for your inquiry. I hope the below information helps you with your questions.

Northern NM Gastroenterology does NOT collect any money from you prior to your scheduled appointment/procedure. We submit your claim to your insurance first then if there is any patient responsibility, we will then bill you.

If you review the initial paperwork/instructions provided to you, you will find there are multiple claims/bills associated with a procedure.

- A claim from your Doctor @ Northern NM Gastroenterology Phone: 505-983-5631 option 3 Northern NM Gastroenterology does NOT collect any money.
- 2. A claim from the Facility/The Endoscopy Center of Santa Fe Phone: 866-809-1220 or Facility/Christus St. Vincent Medical Center Phone: 505-913-5220 The facility will collect your copay and it is applied to the facility bill.
- 3. A claim from Anesthesiology/The Endoscopy Center of Santa Fe Phone: 855-214-1254 Or Anesthesiology/Christus St. Vincent Medical Center Phone: 505-913-5220
- 4. A claim from **Pathology/Santa Fe Pathology** Phone: 505-986-8620 This only applies if biopsies are taken.

If you have any questions about your benefits & coverage, please contact your insurance carrier.

For screening colonoscopies: In the event of a finding, such as the removal of polyp(s), the procedure no longer be considered a "screening" exam and your insurance coverage could change to "diagnostic". Please check with your insurance carrier about the difference in benefits. If you had symptoms prior to the colonoscopy; this would not be considered a "screening" (even if you were due for a screening at this time). PLEASE contact your insurance carrier for coverage information.

Thank you.

Northern NM Gastroenterology Billing Dept.