

Bucci Laser Vision Institute &
Angelina Theresa Bucci Eye Surgery Center

Financial Policies

The following policies will help ensure that each patient has a full understanding of what is expected of him or her financially at the onset of treatment. Please note charges are the patient's responsibility regardless of insurance coverage, with the exception of Medicare and insurance contracted patients.

New Patients

Payment is requested at the time of service unless prior arrangements have been made with the billing office.

Patients are responsible for all their **co-pays, deductibles, and co-insurance.**

Medicare Patients

For those patients who are covered under Medicare Part B, we are providers and accept assignment. Medicare pays 80% of the allowable amount on the patient charge.

The patient is responsible for the **20% Medicare co-pay.**

If patients have supplemental insurance, we will bill the secondary carrier as a courtesy. For those Medicare patients without secondary insurance, the **Medicare 20% co-pay is the patient's responsibility.**

We can make arrangements for monthly payments if necessary.

Patients who seek services that are non-covered under Medicare, for example, refractive cataract surgery, will be informed of their financial responsibility. The patient will be given a copy of the Advanced Beneficiary Notice (ABN) and asked to sign the form acknowledging their understanding that this is a non-covered service and they will be responsible for the non-covered fees.

Blue Shield, Private Insurance and Managed Care Patients

For those patients with Blue Shield, private health care, and managed care plans, **we will, as a courtesy, submit claims on the patient's behalf.**

- 1.) Managed care plans (i.e. HMO, PPO) **patients are responsible** to obtain a referral from their family doctor if required by your insurance company.
- 2.) It is also your responsibility to know if you need a referral for services being performed at the time of your visit.
- 3.) If you are unaware a referral is needed, please contact your insurance company.

Patient insurance, however, is a contract between the patient and his/her insurance company. We are not responsible to know the details of your individual plan. If you have any questions regarding your benefits, contact your insurance carrier by dialing the number on the back of your insurance card.

The deductible and anticipated co-pay or co-insurance due is the patients responsibility.

After the claim is processed by your insurance company, you will be billed by our office for any additional monies owed toward your account. Payment arrangements (with no finance charges) can be made by our office, if necessary.

Surgery Patients

For those patients requiring surgical procedures, our office will take care of precertification when needed. Again, it is your responsibility to be aware of any deductibles or co-insurance that you may be responsible for regarding charges filed for Dr. Bucci and for our Ambulatory Surgery Center.

I acknowledge that I have been given a copy of Bucci Laser Vision Institute and Angelina Theresa Bucci Eye Surgery Center's Financial Policy.

Print Name: _____

Patient Signature: _____

Date Signed: _____

Anesthesia services are contracted and billed separately from Angelina Theresa Bucci Eye Surgery Center. Frank A. Bucci, JR., MD is sole owner of Angelina Theresa Bucci Eye Surgery Center.