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Good Faith Estimate Informed Consent

The “No Surprises Act” of 2022 was legislated to provide consumer protection against surprise medical bills that arise when insured consumers inadvertently receive care from out-of-network providers they did not choose (this has typically occurred when patients go to an in-network hospital and then are charged for out-of-network professional fees by a hospital-based physician such as an ER physician, radiologist, anesthesiologist, or pathologist to name a few). Surprise medical bills pose financial burdens to unknowing consumers. For more detailed information about this legislation and your consumer rights, please visit www.cms.gov/nosurprises.

Under the law, health care providers need to give patients who don’t have insurance or who are opting to not use their insurance an estimate of the expected charges for medical services, including psychotherapy services. You have the right to receive a “Good Faith Estimate” (GFE) explaining how much your medical and mental health care will cost. This includes the total expected cost of any non-emergency healthcare services, including psychotherapy services.

You can ask your health care provider, and any other provider you choose, for a Good Faith Estimate before you schedule a service.

Under this legislation, if you receive a bill that is at least \$400 more than your Good Faith Estimate, you can dispute the bill. Make sure to save a copy of all of your Good Faith Estimates.

I, _____, have read this notice and understand my options
(client printed name)
regarding receiving a Good Faith Estimate and how to get more information if needed. If I
choose to receive a Good Faith Estimate, I will contact Susan Busted.

(client signature)

(date)