

Insurance Benefits

- ▶ I understand that I am responsible for understanding my insurance benefits.
- ▶ **I understand that Chicago Podiatric Surgeons is not responsible for providing my benefit information to me, and that any information given to me is not a guarantee of benefits.**

Insurance Submission

- ▶ Chicago Podiatric Surgeons will submit all claims to **Primary carriers**.
- ▶ Chicago Podiatric Surgeons will submit to **Secondary carriers** for Medicare patients only.

Patient Balances

- ▶ Chicago Podiatric Surgeons will send monthly statements to all patients with current balances
- ▶ As a Chicago Podiatric Surgeons patient, I understand that I am responsible for payment of medical services.
 - + I authorize Chicago Podiatric Surgeons to submit insurance claims on my behalf, and to accept payment of medical benefits for services rendered.
 - + I authorize Chicago Podiatric Surgeons to initiate a complaint to my Insurance Company, and/or Insurance Commissioner on my behalf.
 - + I authorize the release of medical information to my Insurance Company, adjuster, or attorney involved in the processing of my claims.
 - + In the event that my Insurance Company remits payment to Chicago Podiatric Surgeons with a check made out in my name, I authorize Chicago Podiatric Surgeons to deposit that payment and credit my account accordingly.
 - + I understand that although Chicago Podiatric Surgeons accepts Medicare and certain PPO/HMO assignments, I am responsible for any co-payment, co-insurance, deductible, and non-covered services.
- ▶ I understand that there will be a \$30.00 service charge for returned or bounced checks
- ▶ I understand that if my account is turned over to an outside collection agency, my balance will be increased by 33% to cover the cost of the collection agency's fee.
- ▶ I understand that there will be a \$25.00 charge for missed or cancelled appointments unless I give a 24-hour notice.

Signature

Date

Please Print Name

Thank you for choosing Chicago Podiatric Surgeons as your healthcare provider.