

Changes to Billing Statements

SEPTEMBER 18, 2019



What is Estes Park Health?





Estes Park Health Emergency Department provides 24/7 care and is staffed by board-certified physicians and nurses.



Estes Park Health Surgical Services

delivers surgical expertise from colonoscopies to total knee replacement.



Estes Park Health Living Center

imparts care with dignity in our 24-hour. 52-bed skilled nursing facility.

offers highly skilled EMS paramedics who



Estes Park Health Inpatient Medical/Surgical Unit

cares for patients requiring an overnight stay.

Current state of billing

For all the services we provide, we currently use two separate billing systems:

- 1) One for facility charges such as the Emergency, Outpatient or Inpatient Services.
- 2) One for professional/physician charges for employed professionals at Estes Park Health such as an Emergency Physician, Radiologist, or Surgeon.

Within these systems, there are **SEPARATE bills** for each date of service and could arrive in your mail at different times: Let's take a look at your mailbox.



So Many Separate Bills



Bill for ED Physician





Bill for Radiologist (not EPH provider)



Bill for MRI



Bill for Radiologist



Bill for Surgery





Bill for Surgeon





Bill for
Hospitalist
(not EPH provider)



Current Statements – What's in your mailbox?

Let's review the statements for a surgery visit for broken arm where the insurance company processed the physician's charges first, then the insurance company processed the hospital charges 3 weeks later.

The patient will receive a separate statement for Professional Services and Hospital Services.



Example of Statement for Professional Services

- This bill is for Professional Services with the date the statement was sent
- This bill shows how much is due & any previous payment from the patient
- There is an offer of a Prompt Pay discount for Deductibles & Co-insurance
- Payment is made to Estes Park Health Physician Clinic



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Account Summary Patient Name: Date(s) of Service: See page 2 Total Charges \$658.00 Adjustments/Discounts \$388.84 Insurance Payments \$234.80 Patient Payments \$0.00 Total Account Balance \$34.36 Amount You Owe \$34.36

We offer Prompt Payment Discounts!

When the balance is paid in full, within 45 days from the date of this statement, you will receive a 10% discount on your deductible and/or co-insurance amounts.

If you do not have insurance you may qualify for a 25% discount.

Per Colorado state regulations, we cannot discount co-pay balances.

Statement of Professional Services

Statement Date: 04/30/2019 Page 1 of 2

Pay by Phone: (970) 586-2317
 Mail: Pay by mail using slip below

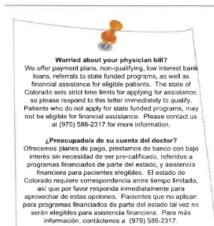
Online: www.eph.org

Account Information

Guarantor Name: Name Here

Account Number: 412345

Primary Insurance: UNITED HEALTH
Please verify your insurance information!

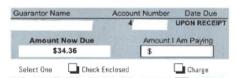




Statement Date 04/30/2019

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Example of Statement for Hospital Services

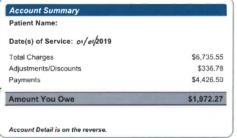
- This bill is for Hospital Services with the date the statement was sent (note: it is 3 weeks after the statement for Professional Services)
- This bill shows how much is due from the patient
- There is an offer of a Prompt Pay discount for Deductibles & Co-insurance
- Payment is made to Estes Park Hearth



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Statement of Hospital Services

Statement Date: 05/21/2019

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Online: www.eph.org

Account Information

Guarantor Name: Name Here

Account Number: E 000012345

Primary Insurance: UNITED HEALTH Secondary Insurance: No insurance on file Please verify your insurance information!





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aprovechar de estas opciones. Pacientes que no aplican para programas financiados de parte del estado tal vez no serán elegibles para asistencia financiera. Para más

información, contáctenos a (970) 586-2317.

The Change

Estes Park Health is changing to a new Electronic Health Record (EHR) called <u>Epic</u> on 11/09/2019

- This will combine the systems used for Professional Services, Emergency Room Services and Hospital Services into one.
- This will allow your care providers to have greater visibility to the patient's complete medical record, including services outside Estes Park Health.



The Change for your Billing Statements

- Patients will now receive a letter from Estes Park Health when your bill is sent to your insurance company.
- Once insurance has processed the claim, patients will receive a statement for all services on one bill, with balances for both Professional and Hospital services.

Our care for you will not change – You will get the best medical treatment!



Future state – The letter

Patients will begin to receive a letter about the bill for their services with Estes Park Health IF the charge is over \$500. This letter will:

- Let the patient know we have sent a bill to their insurance to verify it is correct.
- Provide an itemized statement of hospital services.
- Let the patient know the next steps Once the insurance has processed a claim, the patient will then receive a statement requesting payment for the balance.



Post-Service Letter Example- Front & Back



An important message August 19, 2019 about your recent visit.

Dear Statment Sixteen.

Thank you for choosing Estes Park Health. We are sending this letter to provide you with a summary of services and charges from your recent visit.

This is not a bill. You are not yet being asked to make any payment.

We have sent a claim to your primary insurer. They may contact you for more information. Your quick response to their questions will help your insurance company process your claim quickly and efficiently.

You identified Banner Choice Plus as your primary insurer when you received services. Please call us and let us know if this is not correct. The charges submitted to your insurance are listed on the back of this letter.

After your insurer has processed your claim, you'll receive a statement from us indicating any remaining balance due from you.

You may also receive other bills for your care from physicians or other healthcare providers for services, imaging or tests they provided while you were in our hospital. Please note that these are separate from your bill with Estes Park Health and require separate payment or settlement.

We are here to help you. If you have questions or concerns about your bill, please call Patient Financial Services at 970 577-4530. When you call, please mention your account number 6001000422. If you wish to make payment arrangements or if you are unable to make a payment, please call our Patient Financial Counselors to talk about your available options for financial assistance.

Thanks again for choosing Estes Park Health.

Sincerely.

Your Customer Service Team

Patient Name:	Sixteen,Statment	Account Number: 6001000422	
Date of Birth:	07/06/1984	Admission Date: 08/15/19	
		Discharge Date: 08/15/19	
		Attending Physician: EPH Test, Doctor	

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Svc Dt	CPT(R)	Description		Qty	Amount
	Code				
08/15/2019		HB RX REV 259 OTHER		1	100.00
08/15/2019	71045	HB RADIANT-RADIOLOGIC EX	AM CHEST SINGLE VIEW	1	317.00
08/15/2019	80053	HB COMP METABOLIC PANEL		1	125.00
08/15/2019	84484	HB POCT TROPONIN		1	75.00
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08/15/2019	85025	HB CBC WITH AUTO DIFF		1	50.00
08/15/2019	85610	HB PROTHROMBIN TIME INR		1	59.00
08/15/2019	93005	HB EKG TRACING ONLY NO IS	R.R	1	211.00
08/15/2019	93005	HB EKG TRACING ONLY NO 18	kR.	1	211.00
08/15/2019	99285	HB EMERG-LEVEL 5		1	2,805.00
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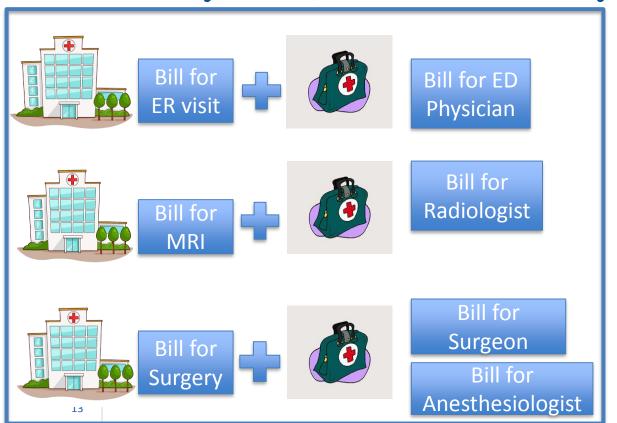
Future state – the statement

With Epic, we will shift to **Guarantor billing**:

- The Guarantor is the person financially responsible for the bill.
- The Guarantor will receive **ONE BILL** for all services billed by Estes Park Health.
- This could include multiple services for one patient, or services for a parent and child(ren) grouped together.
- The Guarantor will receive separate bills for Professional services not billed by Estes Park Health.



So many Bills, but not so many Statements









Future State – What's coming to your mailbox?

Let's review the statement for a surgery visit for broken arm where the insurance company processed the Hospital charges first, then the insurance company processed the Physician charges 3 weeks later.

The patient will receive one statement for Professional Services and Hospital Services, 30 days apart.



Future state of billing

Your Estes Park Health Statement



Pay Online at eph.org

Current Balance	\$2,473.00
Payments Received But Not Yet Applied	0.00
Other Adjustments	0.00
You Paid	0.00
Insurance Paid	-1,000.00
Charges	3,473.00
Guarantor: Statement Fifteen	

Payment due by:	October 02, 2019
See following pages fo	r statement details

Days 0-30	Days 31-60	Days 61-90	Over 90 Days
\$435.00	\$2,038.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

Total Balance Due \$2,473.00

CONTACT US

Payments are posted to the oldest open balance not under review. For payments to be posted to specific accounts, please visit us online or call our Customer Service Representatives at (970) 586-2317.

Pay Online at eph.org

See back of statement for more information.

ESTES PARK

IF PAYING BY CREDIT CARD, PLEASE FILL OUT BELOW				
VISA	Mario Carr	DISCOVER		AMOUNT PAYING \$
CARD NUMBER				CODE.
SIGNATURE				EXP DATE

Your Estes Park Health Statement



Pay Online at eph.org

When the balance of \$2,038.00 is paid in full before 09/20/2019, you will receive a 10% discount on your deductible and/or co-insurance amounts. If you do not have insurance you may qualify for a 25% discount. Per Colorado state regulations, we cannot discount co-pay balances.

Date	Description	Charges	Pmts/Adjs	Patient
				Balance
Patient: Stat	ement Fifteen [712]	Estes	Park Health Su	rgical Clinic
08/12/19	New Charges	3,038.00		
	Colorado Medicaid Payments and Adjustments		1,000.00	
	Your Responsibility			2,038.00

When the balance of \$435.00 is paid in full before 10/20/2019, you will receive a 10% discount on your deductible and/or co-insurance amounts. If you do not have insurance you may qualify for a 25% discount. Per Colorado state regulations, we cannot discount co-pay balances.

Date Description	Charges Pmts/Adjs Patient
	Balance
Patient: Statement Fifteen [713]	Estes Park Health Surgical Clinic
08/13/19 New Charges	435.00
Your Responsibility	435.00

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PAY YOUR BILL ONLINE:

Online bill pay is now available at https://billpay.eph.org

PAY YOUR BILL BY PHONE:

Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (MST). Call us at 1.970.586.2317

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:

Per Colorado State Senate bill 12-134, uninsured patients who meet eligibility requirements may qualify for Charity Care assistance. CICP (Colorado Indigent Care Program) recipients do not qualify for this program.

Por el Senado del estado de Colorado 12-134, pacientes no asegurados que cumplan con los requisites de elegivilidad están calificados para ser evaluados para asistencia de cuidad de Caridad. Los destinatarios CICP (Colorado Indigentes Cuidado Programa) no califican para este porgrama.

❖ WORRIED ABOUT YOUR HOSPITAL BILL

We offer payment plans, non-qualifying, low interest bank loans, referrals to state funded programs, as well as financial assistance for eligible patients. The state of Colorado sets strict time limits for applying for assistance, so please respond to this letter immediately to qualify. Patients who do not apply for state funded programs, may not be eligible for financial assistance. Please contact us at (970) 586-2317 for more information.

Ofrecemos planes de pago, préstamos de banco con bajo interés sin necesidad de ser pre-calificado, referidos a programas financiados de parte del estado, y asistencia financiera para pacientes elegibles. El estado de Colorado requiere correspondencia entre tiempo limitado, así que por favor responda inmediatamente para aprovechar de estas opciones. Pacientes que no aplican para programas financiados de parte del estado tal vez no serán elegibles para asistencia financiera. Para más información, contáctenos a (970) 586-2317.

* PAST DUE/COLLECTIONS:

Payment is due within twenty-eight days of your statement date. Failure to pay your bills or contact our office may result in a referral to an outside collection agency.

❖ NEED TO UPDATE YOUR ADDRESS OR INSURANCE INFORMATION?

Please go online https://billpay.eph.org and sign in to My Health Connection or fill out the form below with your updated information. Allow 7-10 business days for the updates to be reflected in our system.

Easy ways to Pay

Info about assistance

Payment plan options



Review of Future state of billing

- Your statement will include all services billed by Estes Park Health on one bill for the guarantor on the account.
 - This could include more than one date of service, or more than one patient
- Your statements will list the charges you owe now, but **NOT** charges still in process with your insurance company.
 - You will not receive notice of outstanding, pending charges <u>except</u> on the initial letter, which is not a bill.
- Statements will include outstanding balances for 120 days. Balances older than 120 days, with no payment arrangements will face further collection action.



Review of Future state of billing

- You will still receive separate bills from providers for services that are contracted by Estes Park Health, but not <u>employed</u> by Estes Park Health.
 - Hospitalists, Radiology services, Surgicalists or other services not billed by EPH will send you separate bills with their own logo.
- The system Estes Park Health currently uses and the Epic system do not "talk to each other".
 - Before November 9, 2019 your bills will be in the "old" style.
 - From November 9, 2019 and forward, statements for services will be in the "new" style, and separate from previous services.
 - Our website will provide guidance when paying online based on the date of service.



Frequently asked questions

- Why does it take so long to get my bills sometimes? It is based on the accuracy of the bill and rules of your insurance company.
- Do I need to present my Photo ID & Insurance card every visit? Yes. It will speed up the registration process. The new system, Epic, requires that registration enter the insurance information based on the name and billing address of your insurance from the card.
- I cannot pay my bill, what should I do? We are here to help you. There may be a program you are eligible for you do not know about. Handouts are available.



Frequently asked questions

- I have a payment plan for previous services, can I add new services to that? No. Separate payments must be made for services in different computer systems.
- Will I be able to combine my old separate bills with new ones with services after November 9th ? No. Unless....
- Can I add bills after November 9th to my existing bank loan? Yes.



Contact us

Contact Patient Financial Services:

- Patient Financial Customer Service 970-577-4530
- Financial Counselors 970-577-4327 and 970-577-4528

For Additional Information Visit: eph.org/patients-

visitors/billing-payments/





Thank You!

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