

You Have the Right to Receive a ‘Good Faith Estimate’ Explaining How Much Your Medical Care Will Cost

Beginning on January 1, 2022, healthcare providers need to give **patients who don’t have insurance or who are not using insurance** an estimate of their bill for medical items and services.

Here’s what you need to know:

- You have the right to receive a “Good Faith Estimate” of the expected cost of any non-emergency items or services.
- If you are eligible for a Good Faith Estimate, make sure your healthcare provider gives you one in writing at least one business day before you are to receive the medical service or item, unless your appointment is scheduled less than three days in advance. You can also ask your healthcare provider, and any other provider you choose, for a Good Faith Estimate before you schedule an item or service.
- Make sure to save a copy or picture of your Good Faith Estimate.
- If you receive a bill that is at least \$400 more than your Good Faith Estimate, you can dispute the bill through the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services. There is a fee to dispute bills.

For questions or more information about your right to a Good Faith Estimate, visit www.cms.gov/nosurprises.



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