

South Austin Medical Clinic, P.A.

Important information about your

PREVENTIVE CARE EXAM

Please be advised that your **preventive care exam** (aka “annual exam”, “physical exam”, “well women exam”, etc) is a specific service designed to screen for and prevent health issues. It may include a clinical examination, laboratory tests, procedures, counseling, and/or immunizations depending on your age, gender, and other risk factors.

In most cases, the preventive care exam is free to you. The Affordable Care Act obligates most insurance plans to pay for this service without charging you a copayment, coinsurance, or deductible.

However, there are important exceptions to this rule -

NEW OR EXISTING HEALTH ISSUES

The evaluation and management of new or existing health issues is not covered under the preventive care exam. Insurance providers regard these issues as separate and distinct from the preventive care exam. Thus, **the evaluation and management of new or existing health issues during the preventive care exam will generate charges that will be your responsibility** (including but not limited to copayment, coinsurance, and deductible).

Please note that a **medication refill** falls in the category of an **existing health issue**.

I have read the information above. I understand that the evaluation and management of new or existing health issues is not covered under the preventive care exam. I understand that the evaluation and management of new or existing health issues during the preventive care exam will generate charges (including but not limited to copayment) that will be my responsibility.

Name: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____ Account #: _____