

# Bio- Identical Hormone Evaluation and Testing Cost and Billing Information

## OFFICE VISITS

We will bill insurance companies with whom we have a contract for your office visit. Our policy is as follows:

### Initial visit:

- 1) As a new consultation patient you will be billed an extended new patient visit charge
- 2) As an established patient you will be billed an extended office visit (99215) for the extended length of time this initial interview and exam necessitates.

If you have no healthcare insurance or you are "out of network" because we do not have a contract with your insurance carrier we have reasonable cash pay prices. You will be asked to pay for your visit at the time of service. The initial new half hour visit will be \$150.00. If you do not pay for your initial visit at the time of service we will bill the usual full visit price without the cash discount.

### Second visit:

Treatment planning – this will also be an extended visit to allow us to review your lab studies and plan a personalized management program – we will charge an extended standard office visit (99215) due to the extra time and coordination this visit requires. If we require more than 50 minutes we will also bill an extended office visit charge (99354) Cash pay or out of network patients will be required to pay \$150.00 at the time of the visit.

### Third and Subsequent visits:

Generally these follow-up visits require less time and will be billed as a regular office visit (99214). Cash pay or out of network patients will be required to pay \$75.00 at the time of the visit. Depending on your need to discuss and/or modify your treatment regimen, i.e. if you are having problems or require extra time to discuss your clinical situation, additional time charges may be required.

## TESTING

We will also bill insurance carriers with whom we have a contract for blood work testing.

We will bill for hormone saliva evaluation lab work, but **this EXCLUDES DMH Consociate or United Healthcare insurance that will not cover saliva testing.** This means you will be required to pay for saliva testing at the time of service at our reasonable cash pay prices.

Please be advised that if you have a high deductible policy it may be cheaper for you to pay for testing out of pocket as **the fees billed will be higher than our cash prices**. To explain: First, insurance billing requires extra staff which increases our cost of providing your service. Second, we often must wait for months to be paid depending on the insurer, and finally, each insurer marks down the billed charge to a level determined by your employers negotiated fee schedule which is variable, but often does not cover our cost of this specialized testing charged by the laboratory performing the testing.

**You will be asked to pay at the time of your visit for any necessary testing - please come prepared to pay for your necessary lab work at the time of service.**

**As a Guide:** The lab work ordered will of course be variable with each individual based on their unique history and clinical situation. A list of prices for the most commonly ordered labs is noted below, but **the most common combination** will be a combo panel saliva test for sex and stress hormones (\$230.00), as well as blood work for thyroid studies (\$125.00) and Vitamin D (\$75.00), this **totals \$405.00**.

**Cash Pay Test Prices:**

<b>Saliva Testing</b>
Male/Female Hormone Panel - \$150.00
Adrenal Stress Hormone Panel - \$170.00
Combination Panel 10-15 tests - \$230.00
Combination Panel 16-20 tests - \$290.00
Female Cycling Hormone Panel - \$350.00

<b>Blood Testing</b>
CBC - \$16.00
CMP - \$20.00
Lipid - \$ 20.00
Thyroid - TSH and Free T4 - \$60.00
Thyroid - Free T3 - \$ 65.00
Vitamin D - \$75.00
LH - \$ 35.00
FSH - \$ 22.00
PSA - \$36.00
Pregnancy - \$34.00
Prolactin - \$45.00