

Insurance Coverage and Cost of Scopes

4 separate components will submit charges to your insurance

It is advised to check with your insurance to ensure all components are within your network

- 1) **Professional Billing:** The specialist performing and interpreting the procedure
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- 2) **Facility Billing:** Charges for time and services at the hospital or surgical center
Clarkston Surgery Center : NPI 1528219474
St Joseph Mercy Oakland : NPI 1053356352
Beaumont Royal Oak & W. Bloomfield: NPI 1689653305
- 3) **Anesthesia Billing:** Bills for sedation. 2 Charges, CRNA and Anesthesiology
Clarkston Surgery Center Anesthesia administered by:
Superior Anesthetists Associates, INC. & Long Lake Anesthesiology Consultants
* Anesthesia is provided by the facility at all other locations
- 4) **Lab/Pathology:** If a biopsy or polyp is taken these will be sent to a special lab for
Slide preparation and pathologist interpretation.
Clarkston Surgery Center specimens sent to Quest Lab. Hospitals are read in house.

Preventative Colonoscopy Screening Patient has **No symptoms**, No Personal or family history **has not had a colonoscopy in the past 10 years**. American Cancer Society recommend patients have their first screening at age 45 -HOWEVER not all insurance companies will cover this before the age of 50. Please call your plan and discuss.

Diagnostic Colonoscopy/EGD Colonoscopies and upper scopes can be used as diagnostic procedures to determine the root cause of symptoms such as diarrhea, rectal bleeding, acid reflux, trouble swallowing. The indication/diagnosis for these scopes will be the symptom.

FAQ: Can the provider or biller change my diagnosis so that the procedure can be paid as a screening? NO. This is part of your medical records based on the information you have provided. It is a binding legal document that cannot be changed to facilitate better coverage.

Surveillance/High Risk Screening Colonoscopy- Patient has NO symptoms. Patient has a history of colon polyps, or GI disease and/or family history. Patients must be screened at a shortened interval. Not all insurance companies pay this as preventative care. The cost may default to your deductible based on the terms and limitations of your insurance package.

Covered vs. Paid: Insurances may state “this is a covered procedure” and it still may default to your deductible or you may still have a cost sharing amount. It is important to ask your health insurance representative what your **out of pocket responsibility** could be.