Disclaimers for Machine Readable Charge Master and List of 25 Commonly Charged Procedures

This charge description master (CDM) includes Sierra View Medical Center's unique acute-care hospital facility charges that could appear on patient' bills, depending on the services and procedures provided during an inpatient stay or outpatient visit.

Many charges contained in this charge master are subject to various periodic changes in the cost of items due to vendors, manufacturers and others that supply these items to Sierra View Medical Center. The information provided herein, was effective on January 1, 2020. These charges may have changed since this date due to new technology, added or eliminated services, goods and/or procedures, etc. The information contained in this CDM is specific to this facility.

The charges contained in this document are the same for all patients of this facility regardless of insurance program or coverage. *However, the charges contained in this document do not reflect expected reimbursement,* since health plans negotiate reimbursement rates based on a number of factors. Other issues affecting actual reimbursement could include whether a procedure was done on an inpatient or outpatient basis, physician orders, comorbidities and complications, and/or medical necessity.

The physician orders, based on his/her examination and treatment of the patient, are the key components to which services and procedures are charged to an individual patient. There are many components that comprise one hospital bill. For example, one short hospital inpatient stay could include surgical procedures, treatment in the emergency department, supplies, pharmaceuticals, numerous tests (i.e., x-rays, laboratory), room and board, respiratory and physical therapy and so forth (all based on a physician's orders). Therefore, this document should not be used to accurately estimate the final patient cost of a given hospital-stay. It is provided for information only. Descriptions and charges contained in this document will vary from facility to facility.

This hospital provides financial assistance programs for qualified low-income uninsured and under-insured patients. Please contact one of our financial counselors at 559-788-6143 or 559-788-6002 for more information on programs and eligibility, or to make inquiries regarding estimated charges for specific procedures.

If you would like additional information regarding this CDM, you can schedule an appointment with our Director of Revenue Integrity by completing the Appointment Request for Charge Description Master Review and submitting to jblack@sierraview.com.