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What YOU Need To Know

THE NO SURPRISES ACT - Important Information to Keep You Informed!

The No Surprises Act of 2021 - Courtesy of PCA President-Elect Keith Miller, DC

The Good Faith Estimate (GFE) provision of the No Surprises Act (Public Law 116-260) was designed to give health care consumers predictability in how much they will be charged for the healthcare services they will be receiving prior to their appointment. [CLICK HERE TO READ](#)

As of January 1, 2022, all licensed or certified health providers, including chiropractors, need to provide a GFE of charges to every new and continuing patient who is either uninsured or is not planning to submit a claim to their insurance for the healthcare services they seek.

There are certain rules chiropractors and others must now follow regarding what information must be provided. In the documents below you will find more information on the rules and a link to a template you can use with your patients. **Again, this new law only applies to patients who are either uninsured or are not planning to submit a claim to their insurance for the healthcare services they seek.** This provision of the No Surprises Act has indeed taken many provider groups by surprise and ACA, together with our non-MD coalition, plans to seek further guidance to make the process easier and less burdensome for providers and patients alike.

CLICK EACH LINK FOR IMPORTANT INFORMATION

[CMS FAQ: Good Faith Estimates for Uninsured \(or Self-Pay Individuals\) \(PDF\)](#)

[CMS: For patients - to post in your clinic: Understand Your Rights Against Surprise Medical Bills \(PDF\)](#)

[More information: HHS: Further Guidance on GFE \(PDF\)](#)

Thank you to the Illinois Chiropractic Society for developing the following and sharing with ACA members:
[Sample Office/Website Language for Providers: Patient Rights Regarding "Good Faith Estimate" \(.DOC\)](#)

[Sample GFE Form \(.DOC\)](#)