



## Raymond M. Seballos, M.D., Inc. COSMETIC SURGERY FINANCIAL POLICIES

**Payment:** Cosmetic surgery is a very special kind of surgery. It is purely elective and is not covered by your insurance\*. For these reasons, *all cosmetic surgery fees must be paid in full prior to surgery.*

Payment for cosmetic surgery or procedures must be received no later than 10 working days prior to the date of the surgery or procedure. The surgery center/hospital and the anesthesia providers require payment in full before the surgery date as well. There is a \$100.00 fee that is non-refundable and non-transferable that will be assessed should you cancel the surgery.

**The following methods of payment are accepted:** Cash, personal checks drawn on an in-state bank, MasterCard and Visa credit/debit cards, cashier's check, traveler's checks, or money order. There will be a \$25.00 service charge for returned checks.

**Cancellation Refunds:** If your surgery should be cancelled more than 7 business days in advance, your payment will be refunded in full, *except as follows: 1) The \$100.00 scheduling fee is non-refundable and non-transferable to another date if you chose to re-schedule. Exceptions to this will be at the discretion of the surgeon. 2) If anesthesia, surgical personnel, laser and or other outside services have been contracted for your surgery and you cancel with fewer than 7 business days notice, the fees for the contracted services will be nonrefundable. 3) If cancelled with fewer than 7 business day's notice, partial refunds of the surgeon's fee component maybe considered on a case by case basis and will be at the discretion of the surgeon. 4) Repeat cancellation of surgery or procedures may be subject to a 15% cancellation fee regardless of the time until surgery. 5) Under certain circumstances we reserve the right to request payment in full prior to re-scheduling surgery.*

**Other Refunds:** *There will be NO REFUNDS for services already provided.*

**Facility Fees:** If you have surgery at a surgery center or hospital, the fees for use of that facility are determined solely by that entity and are not under the control of Dr. Seballos or this office. *You will be responsible for any charges related to facility fees beyond those routinely included in the Cost Estimate provided to you. This can sometimes occur if the length of the surgery takes longer than estimated, additional pre-operative testing is needed, and if pathology or radiology services are needed.*

**Anesthesia Fees:** There is a fee for the services of an Anesthesiologist or Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist. These fees are based on the type and anticipated duration of your surgical procedure(s) and the location at which the surgery is done. The Cost Estimate includes the fee for anesthesia services provided at the surgery center or hospital. Please note that Dr. Seballos has no control over anesthesia costs outside of this office. The anesthesia cost estimate is based on the average length of time it takes to complete similar procedures. If *your* procedure takes longer than anticipated, additional charges may apply, for which *you will be responsible.*

**Laboratory Fees:** If you are to have sedation or general anesthesia, certain laboratory tests may be required. The costs of simple lab tests (e.g.- blood count) may be included in the facility fee. More extensive tests (e.g.-blood clotting tests, chemical studies, EKG, X-rays, pregnancy tests, etc.) *are not* included in the facility fee and will result in additional charges for which *you will be responsible.*

**Revision Surgery / Treatment of Complications:** The practice of medicine and surgery is not an exact science. Although good results are anticipated, there can be *no guarantee or warranty, expressed or implied, by anyone as to the actual results that you may get.* Surgical revisions and/or other medical treatment or management of problems and/or complications may be required. These could result in additional charges *for which you will be responsible.*

**\*Insurance and Cosmetic Surgery:** Cosmetic surgery and/or procedures are not covered by insurance. Any attempt to obtain insurance payment for these services is fraudulent. Our office will not assist anyone attempting to defraud an insurance company, this office or any other entity. An attempt to defraud an insurance company, the office, or any other entity may result in civil and/or criminal penalties.

I have read and understand the above cosmetic surgery financial policies: X\_\_\_\_\_