What to bring to the appointment

Welcome to our practice. We appreciate you choosing us for your urologic care. Enclosed are forms that should be reviewed and filled out before your appointment. They include:

1) Demographic information.
2) History forms and questionnaire.
3) HIPPA privacy policy.

In addition, in order to take care of your problem in the most efficient manner, please assist us by obtaining:

1) Any X-rays such as CT, Ultrasound, IVP or MRI on CD-ROM and bring this to our office the day of your appointment along with the written report.
2) If you have a KUB (plain film of the abdomen), please bring the full sized film (not the CD-ROM) to our office the day of your appointment along with the written report.
3) Urinalysis/urine cultures and blood work should be brought in the day of the appointment.
4) Any prior urologic records such as operative reports, pathology reports or previous urologic records should be brought in the day of your appointment.
5) Any prior PSA (Prostate Specific Antigen) blood tests as well as the most recent one.

Doing this will assist us in providing the best urologic care possible. Thank you for your assistance in advance.

Sincerely,

The Staff and Doctors of Urologic Specialists of Northwest Indiana

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Please bring this form completed along with your insurance forms and cards to your appointment.

Patient Information

Patient Name ____
Last First Middle Home Phone

Address ____
Street City State Zip

Marital Status_________Birth Date_____________Age _____ Sex ____Race________

Social Security # ____________________ Referred by:___________________

Employer ____________________________ Phone ________________________

Address____
Street City State Zip

Email address:___________________________________Cell #___________________

Nearest Relative ____
(Not living with you.) Name Relationship Phone

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Street City/State/Zip

Responsible Party

(If other than patient.)

Responsible Party ____
Last First Middle Home Phone

Address ____
Street City State Zip

Employer ____
Name of Employer Street City/State/Zip Phone

Social Security # __________________ Responsible Party Birth Date ____________

Insurance Information

#1____
Company Name Address City/State/Zip

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Insured Name Policy Number/Group Number/ID Number/Account Number/Benefit Code

#2____
Company Name Address City/State/Zip

Authorization To Pay Benefits To Provider

I, _________________________ authorize and request that payment under my insurance program (Medicare, Blue Shield or any commercial insurance carrier-basic or Major Medical) be made payable to Urologic Specialists of Northwest Indiana for any service rendered to me during the period of ___________________.

I also authorize the release of any medical information necessary to process a claim on my behalf and a copy of this authorization to be used in place of original. I understand that I am financially responsible to the provider physician for charges not covered by my policy.

X ___________________________ ___________________________
Signature (Insured/Legal Guardian) Date

I have read the Urologic Specialists of Northwest Indiana Statement of Financial Policy. I understand and agree to this policy.

X ___________________________ ___________________________
Signature of Patient or Responsible Party Date

Please complete the below information if on Medicare

STATEMENT TO PERMIT PAYMENT OF MEDICARE BENEFITS TO
PROVIDER PHYSICIANS AND PATIENTS

I request that payment of authorized Medicare benefits be made either to me or on my behalf for any services furnished me by or in Urologic Specialists of Northwest Indiana, including physician services. I authorize any holder of medical or other information about me to release to the Health Care Financing Administration and its agents any information needed to determine these benefits or benefits for related services.

X______________________________ ___________________________
Signature Date

I request that payment of authorized MediGap benefits be made either to me or on my behalf to Urologic Specialists of Northwest Indiana, for any services furnished me by that physician/supplier. I authorize any holder of medical information about me to release to______________________(Medigap Insurer) any information needed to determine these benefits or any benefits payable for related services.

X________________________________ ___________________________
Signature Date

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Male History Form

Last Name:_________________________ **First:**______________________ **Middle:**_______________

Today's Date:__________________ **Date of Birth:**____________ **Referring Physician:** _______________________

CHIEF COMPLAINT: (Reason for visit today) ____

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List Any Allergies

Dye	**Y**	**N**	Latex	**Y**	**N**
Iodine	**Y**	**N**	Shell Fish	**Y**	**N**

Medication Allergies:

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List Any Past Surgeries

Type	Date (Year only)

Medications (Currently Taking)

Name	Amount	Times/Day

Patient's Medical History

			When Diagnosed (Year)
Asthma	**Y**	**N**	_____________________
Cancer	**Y**	**N**	Type ________________
Diabetes	**Y**	**N**	_____________________
Emphysema	**Y**	**N**	_____________________
Heart attack	**Y**	**N**	_____________________
Heart failure	**Y**	**N**	_____________________
Hypertension	**Y**	**N**	_____________________
Kidney stones	**Y**	**N**	_____________________
Stroke	**Y**	**N**	_____________________
Other			

Social History

Occupation: ___________________________________

Do You Smoke? **Y** **N** How Much?_______

Do You Drink Alcohol? **Y** **N** How Much?_______

Family History

			Family Member
Cancer (type)	**Y**	**N**	___________________
Diabetes	**Y**	**N**	___________________
Heart disease	**Y**	**N**	___________________
Kidney stones	**Y**	**N**	___________________
Prostate cancer	**Y**	**N**	___________________

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Review of Systems

Do you now or have you had any problems related to the following systems? Circle **Y**es or **N**o.

Constitutional Symptoms

Fever	Y	N
Chills	Y	N
Headache	Y	N

Eyes

Blurred vision	Y	N
Double vision	Y	N
Pain	Y	N

Allergic/Immunologic

Hay fever	Y	N
Drug allergies	Y	N

Neurologic

Tremors	Y	N
Dizzy spells	Y	N
Numbness/tingling	Y	N

Ear/Nose/Throat/Mouth

Ear infection	Y	N
Sore throat	Y	N
Sinus problem	Y	N

Gastrointestinal

Abdominal pain	Y	N
Nausea/Vomiting	Y	N
Heartburn	Y	N

Cardiovascular

Chest pain	Y	N
Varicose veins	Y	N
High blood pressure	Y	N

Integumentary

Skin rash	Y	N
Persistant itch	Y	N

Musculoskeletal

Joint pain	Y	N
Neck pain	Y	N
Back pain	Y	N

Genitourinary

Painful urination	Y	N
Bloody urine	Y	N
Urinary retention	Y	N

Respiratory

Wheezing	Y	N
Frequent cough	Y	N
Shortness of Breath	Y	N

Hematologic/Lymphatic

Swollen glands	Y	N
Blood clotting prob.	Y	N

Psychological

Feel depressed	Y	N

Endocrine

Excessive thirst	Y	N
Too hot/cold	Y	N
Tired/sluggish	Y	N

MALE ONLY AUA Symptom Score: Circle one number on each line

Questions to be answered	Not at all	Less than 1 time in 5	Less than half the time	About half the time	More than half the time	Almost always
1. Over the past month, how often have you had a sensation of not emptying your bladder completely after you finished urinating?	0	1	2	3	4	5
2. Over the past month, how often have you had to urinate less than 2 hours after you finished urinating?	0	1	2	3	4	5
3. Over the past month, how often have you found you stopped and started again several times when you urinate?	0	1	2	3	4	5
4. Over the past month, how often have you found it difficult to postpone urination?	0	1	2	3	4	5
5. Over the past month, how often have you had a weak urinary stream?	0	1	2	3	4	5
6. Over the past month, how often have you had to push or strain to begin urination?	0	1	2	3	4	5
7. On a nightly basis, how many times do you typically get up to urinate?	0	1	2	3	4	5

Sum of the circled numbers (AUA Symptom Score): ________ Scoring: Mild: 0 – 7 Moderate: 8 to 19 Severe: 20 – 35

Urologic Specialists of Northwest Indiana
Statement of Financial Policy

Thank you for choosing Urologic Specialists of Northwest Indiana as your health care provider. We are committed to the success of your treatment and care. Please understand that payment for service is part of this process. The following is our Statement of Financial Policy, which we request all of our patients to read, understand, and sign prior to any treatment or care.

When Is Payment Due?
Payment is due at the time services are rendered in the office. To see how this affects your specific insurance situation, please read the "About Your Insurance Coverage" section of this policy thoroughly.

Methods of Payment
We accept cash, checks, VISA and MasterCard. We offer payment plans and are happy to provide financial counseling if necessary. Please ask for the Practice Manager if you wish to discuss alternate payment methods.

About The Fees We Charge
You may notice information on your Explanation of Benefits forms that relate to "usual and customary" fees. You should understand that Urologic Specialists of Northwest Indiana fees are in-line with other physician groups in the area. We have completed a full analysis of our fee schedule using the McGraw-Hill Relative Values for Physicians. This is an industry-standard tool to determine fees and is used by Blue Cross Blue Shield plans in at least 16 states, as well as hundreds of other insurance companies and managed care plans, In addition, we have compared our fees to payments by managed care plans and insurance companies in NW Indiana and feel confident our charges are appropriate.

Patients Who Are Minors
The adult accompanying a minor and the parents (or guardians) are responsible for payment. For unaccompanied minors, non-emergency treatment will be denied unless charges have been pre-authorized to an approved credit plan, VISA/MasterCard, or payment is made by cash or check at the time of service.

About Your Insurance Coverage
The amount that is due at the time of service may vary, according to your insurance policy.

Please note the following guidelines:

Commercial insurance- also known as indemnity insurance, or "80%/20% coverage."
If you have commercial insurance, you will be asked to pay your entire balance at the time services are rendered in the office. We will then file your insurance claim for you, and the insurance company will mail the reimbursement check directly to you.

Please note that your commercial policy is a contract between you and the insurance company. Because we are not part of that contract, your account balance is your responsibility whether the insurance company pays or not.

Managed care plan- also known as an HMO, PPO, POS or EPO.
If we participate with your plan, we will accept the appropriate co-pay as payment in full at the time of service. You will not be asked to pay the full charge. We will then file your insurance claim for you. In the case of some PPOs and POS plans, we may later send you a statement for the amount, which is your responsibility, according to the terms of your policy. Please be aware that some services may not be a covered benefit under your managed care plan. In that case, all non-covered services are your responsibility to pay in full the day services are provided.

Medicare
Urologic Specialists of Northwest Indiana participates in the Medicare program. This means we accept payment of the Medicare allowable as payment in full – Medicare pays 80% of this allowable, and beneficiary is responsible for the remaining 20%. Medicare patients will be asked to pay their deductible at the time of their visit, if it is not yet paid. Once it has been met, the following policy applies to our Medicare patients.

If Medicare is your primary insurance, and you also have secondary coverage, we will file your claims for you. No payment is necessary at the time of service. Medicare will automatically transfer 20% to your secondary insurer, and send payment directly to our office. If Medicare is your primary insurance, and you do not have secondary coverage, we will ask that the 20% copay be paid at the time of service. Our staff has already calculated these amounts, and will inform you about your responsibility.

Medicaid
If you are a Medicaid patient, we will file your claim for you. You will not be asked to pay at the time of service.

Uninsured
If you do not have insurance coverage, payment in full is requested at the time of service. If you are unable to pay for your service in full, please ask to speak with our practice manager to discuss financial arrangements.

Please Remember:
In order for us to successfully bill your insurance company, we need complete information. Please cooperate with our Reception Services staff in providing this information. Although our staff understands multiple insurance company guidelines, they do not have all the answers. Please contact your employer for a copy of your Benefit Guidebook, should you need detailed information about your coverage. Thank you for reviewing our Statement of Financial Policy. Let our practice manager or billing team know if you have any questions or concerns.