## THE PRACTICE

Pediatric Associates of Alexandria, Inc. and/or its physicians, employees, agents or assignees will hereafter be referred to as "The Practice".

## FINANCIAL AGREEMENT

I agree that payment in full is due at the time of treatment. I the undersigned (jointly and severally if more than one) further agree that I am legally obligated and responsible and do hereby guarantee payment for all charges incurred by my children, step children or any other extended family members, including but not limited to grandchildren, nieces and nephews. I also understand that I (we) may be billed separately for services rendered by other professionals including, but not limited to other physicians, radiologists, and laboratory work, as appropriate and in accordance with the services rendered. The Practice will file for insurance benefits and accept payments per The Practice's contractual agreements with the insurance company. Any questions or disputes concerning insurance coverage or payment of benefits are a matter between the insurance subscriber/policyholder and the insurance company. Any assistance in this matter granted by The Practice is given strictly as a courtesy and implies no responsibility on The Practice's part for filing, follow through or conformation. I understand and agree to pay an assessed \$10.00 late fee for each co-payment not paid at the time of visit. I understand and agree to pay an assessed \$40.00 Emergency Walk-In Fee in addition to the office visit if I arrive without a scheduled appointment, excluding scheduled walk in clinic hours. I agree to pay a \$50.00 fee for missed appointments that are not cancelled at least 24 hours in advance. There is a \$20.00 fee charged to the members account for all "emergency after hour calls" to the provider on call. Because after hour calls are considered an emergency, the member agrees to the fee charged on the date services are rendered. The after hour calls are not covered by commercial and or Medicaid policies and are the member's responsibility. I understand that there is \$10.00 fee for administrative services for each form completed. Should any balances arise due to insurance co-payments, co-insurance, deductibles, termination of coverage, not adding a dependent to insurance plan, non-payment at time of service and/or any other reason I agree to pay all charges within 30 days of services rendered. I agree that if for any reason a check is returned on my account I will be responsible for a \$50.00 returned check fee in addition to the original fees for services. Interest of one and one-half percent per month, eighteen percent per annum, will be charged on all accounts over 30 days. If the balance is not paid within the 30 days or if agreed upon payment arrangements on my (our) account are not made, I authorize the practice to retain the services of an attorney and/or collection agency to assist with the collection of any outstanding balance and to notify the credit bureaus of my (our) delinquencies. I understand that this will affect my (our) credit rating. If this account is placed for collection, I agree to pay one-third of the unpaid principal and interest as a collection fee, plus court costs and interest in the amount of one and one-half percent per month, beginning 30 days after the monies have become due or expenses have been incurred. Any expenses incurred by such collection actions, including maximum allowed interest, shall become an additional liability for which I (we) assume full responsibility. PAA is required to report all services rendered, to your insurance carrier; even those that occur outside of normal business hours (M-F 8am-4:50pm). The Extended Hours are assessed an additional fee, which is submitted to your insurance carrier; most insurance companies do pay this fee. The guarantor is responsible for all balances that are rendered patient responsibility by your insurance policy.

## COPY OF SIGNATURE

I permit a copy of this authorization and signature to be used in place of this original on all insurance claim submissions and for the release of any medical records and/or other records and information, as stated herein, whether manual, electronic or telephonic.

## **CERTIFICATION**

I certify that the information I have reported with regard to my (our) insurance coverage is correct and that the above be honored by my (our) insurance carriers. This certification will also apply to application for benefits under Title XVIII of the Social Security Act and/or any other governmental agency, if applicable. I also certify that I have read the forgoing and as the parent/guardian/guarantor understand and fully accept the terms therein.