

Your rights to receive a "Good Faith Estimate"

Under the law, health care providers must provide patients an estimate of the bill for medical items and services who do not have insurance or those who do want wish to file a claim with their insurance.

You have the right to receive a Good Faith Estimate for the total expected cost of any non-emergency items or services. This includes related costs like medical tests, prescription drugs, equipment, and hospital fees.

You may also ask any health care provider or facility for a Good Faith Estimate before you schedule an item or service. If you do, the health care provider or facility is required to give you a Good Faith Estimate in writing within 3 business days after you ask.

If you schedule a health care item or service at least 10 business days in advance, your health care provider or facility must give you a Good Faith Estimate in writing within 3 business days after scheduling.

If you schedule a health care item or service at least 3 business days in advance, your health care provider or facility must give you a Good Faith Estimate in writing within 1 business day after scheduling.

If you schedule a health care item or service in less than 3 business days in advance, a Good Faith Estimate is not required.

The Good Faith Estimate shows the costs of items and services that are reasonably expected for your health care needs for an item or service. The estimate is based on information known at the time the estimate was created. If you receive a bill that is at least \$400 more than your Good Faith Estimate, you have the right to dispute the bill.

Be sure to save a copy or picture of your Good Faith Estimate.

For questions or more information about your right to a Good Faith Estimate, you may visit www.cms.gov/nosurprises or call 1-800-985-3059