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## \*\*\*\*\*\*\* BILLING INFORMATION \*\*\*\*\*\*\*

To prepare financially for your child's surgery we recommend that you personally contact your insurance carrier to familiarize yourself with how your benefit plan works. We want to help you understand how you will be billed for the services your child will receive.

There are <mark>four (4) separate entities</mark> involved in your child's surgery and, as a result, <mark>you will receive up to four (4)</mark> <mark>separate bills.</mark>

Please note, although the physician's private practice adjoins the facility - their services are separate and distinct from the surgery center. Therefore you will receive a separate bill from the physician and a separate bill from the facility, as explained below.

Each individual entity has separate insurance, co-payment and deductible payment/billing requirements. As a courtesy, each entity will submit their separate charge(s) to your insurance carrier.

The four (4) separate entities involved in the care of your child are:

**1)** SURGEON: This charge is for the physician who performs your child's surgery.

Pediatric Ear, Nose and Throat Specialists (Drs. Andrews, Wasylik, Trowbridge, Karempelis, Evarts, & Orobello) Phone number: (727) 329-5400, option #4 Email: <u>Billing@pohns.net</u>

2) FACILITY: This charge is from the Ambulatory Surgery Center for providing the supplies, equipment and use of the operating room. The charges also factor in the unseen expenses of running the facility - things like light bills, medical waste disposal, staffing, etc..

Contact - Surgery Locations:

- A. Brandon Pediatric Surgery Center: (813) 490-6100
- B. Odessa Pediatric Surgery Center: (813) 343-5690
- C. Johns Hopkins All Children's Hospital (727) 767-3030
- D. St. Joseph's Children's Hospital (813) 852-3116
- **3)** ANESTHESIOLOGY: This charge is for the anesthesiologist that carefully administers and monitors the anesthesia throughout your child's procedure. The anesthesiologist cannot provide an estimate prior to surgery. You will receive a bill in the mail after insurance has processed the claim.
- **4)** PATHOLOGY: The pathologist will send you a bill for their services, when applicable, after your procedure is performed. The pathologists' office cannot provide you an estimate of their fee prior to receiving the specimen.