

## **Health Records Fees**

## **PATIENTS**

Axis Health System gives patients or their personal/legal representative access to their electronic health information in an electronic format, free of charge and without delay, per the 21st Century Cures Act Final Rule effective April 5, 2021.

Patients or their personal/legal representative may obtain hard copies and will be charged fees established by HITECH and the State of Colorado. Patient billable requests for health records will be charged reasonable fees:

- First 150 pages are free
- \$25.00 per hour for all standard requests for paper copies of health records maintained electronically, plus cost of supplies and applicable postage over 150 pages
- Health records maintained in paper form and requested in paper or electronic format will be charged fees permitted by the State of Colorado (CRS 25-1-801). Contact the HIM Department for an estimate.
  - \$18.53 for the first ten pages (1-10)
  - \$0.85 per page for the next 30 pages (11-40)
  - o \$0.57 per page for pages 41 and above (41+)
  - o \$10.00 additional fee for certification of medical records
  - o Cost of portable media supplies, if applicable, i.e., CD or flash drive

We require prepayment. Checks and credit cards are accepted. Once payment is received, we will process the request and the records will be delivered in the manner specified. If you cannot afford to pay for copies of your health records, you have the right to inspect your records free of charge (45 CFR 164.524 (a)(3)) or may receive electronic copies of your electronic health information free. Contact the HIM Department for more information.

## **THIRD PARTIES**

It is permissible to release health records to a third party initiating a request for PHI on its own behalf with a HIPAA-compliant authorization (45 CFR 165.508) and upon payment of reasonable fees (CRS 25-1-801).

Copies of health records stored in any format and released in any format will be charged:

- \$18.53 for the next ten pages (1-10)
- \$0.85 per page for the next 30 pages (11-40)
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