



## FINANCIAL POLICY REGARDING BREAST AUGMENTATION REVISIONS

We consider it a privilege that you have chosen us for your cosmetic needs. We feel strongly about informing you about all aspects of your care and in doing so, would like to make you aware of our financial policy regarding breast implant revisions.

Every cosmetic surgeon has a few patients who will require a revision or have some complications requiring additional surgery. The goal of cosmetic surgery is to improve appearance, not for perfection and we cannot guarantee a specific result. In cosmetic procedures, there are certain problems that will happen statistically no matter how well the care or how careful the doctor. A small number may experience a complication or disappointing result. Examples of problems that may be encountered are bleeding or an unfavorable scar. In both cases it may be necessary to return the patient to surgery. It is our policy, as a predetermined courtesy to our patients, not to charge a surgeon's fee for complications or for required revisions within ONE year from the original surgery date. The patient will, however, be responsible for facility fees and anesthesia if performed outside our office at the surgery center. If the procedure is performed in our office, it is the patient's responsibility to pay for the facility/supply fee. If you desire additional related surgeries to improve on an acceptable outcome, the surgical fee may be full or reduced at the discretion of the surgeon.

Breast implants are not intended to last forever and they usually need to be replaced at least once over a woman's life. Reasons for replacement include rupture or leaking of the implants, hardening in the scar layer around the implant (capsular contracture) and desire for a different type or size of implant. Sometimes the implants are fine but the implant pocket has an issue such as too tight or too loose, too high or too low.

We take great pride in informing you of your implants options along with risks and complications of implant placement. Though great results are expected we cannot guarantee a size of breast or bra size.

**The following situations are not considered a revision:**

A desire for an increase or decrease in volume

Unhappiness with size

Capsular Contracture

Dropping/Sagging of the breast or Bottoming out

**Breast Implant Warranty**

Breast Implant manufacturers offer warranty insurance. You are automatically provided with a basic level of coverage with your breast augmentation procedure. You may elect to purchase additional insurance. The office can provide you with information on additional insurance that you may purchase directly from the manufacturer within 45 days of your procedure. Please inquire as to your current options as plans may periodically change.

Our goal is to make sure that you are satisfied with your surgery and we hope that no complications arise and no revisions are necessary. However, no cosmetic surgeon can guarantee this. It is important for the patient undergoing an elective surgical procedure to understand this financial policy. Above all we want you to have a great experience and for you to recommend us to your friends. If you have any questions regarding this policy, the office staff would be happy to discuss it with you.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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