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## **Financial Information for Divorced/Separated Parents**

- 1. Augusta Pediatric Associates does not take part in payment disputes between separated or divorced parents. We can provide you with detailed receipts at the time of payment.
- 2. Co-pays are due and expected from the parent or representative who is bringing the child for medical service.
- 3. Co-pays cannot be billed regardless of divorce or separation agreements/orders.
- 4. We can bill to the court ordered parent for charges after insurance has been processed. If this balance is not paid by the due date we will ask that it be paid at your next visit, regardless of which parent comes to the visit.
- 5. We cannot bill a percentage of a balance or co-pay to the other parent.
- 6. The parent responsible for medical costs may provide us with a credit or debit card to keep on file for co-pays or any balance left by insurance.
- 7. Although the account can only be set up in the name of one parent the financial records are available, by law, to either parent, regardless of custody, unless parental rights have been revoked. It is the responsibility of the custodial parent to provide us with documentation if such an order exists.
- 8. Any delinquent accounts that must be released to an outside collection agency will include all demographic information that we have for both parents regardless of court orders.