

# Aesthetic Surgery

## FINANCIAL POLICY REGARDING REVISIONS AND COMPLICATIONS

Every plastic and reconstructive surgeon has a few patients who will require cosmetic revisions or have some medical complications that require additional surgery. As you have been or will be told, one cannot guarantee a result. In cosmetic procedures, there are certain problems that will happen statistically no matter how well the care or how careful the doctor and team. Examples of problems that may be encountered are bleeding or an unfavorable scar after a surgical procedure. In both of these cases, it may be necessary to return the patient to surgery, either on an emergency basis (as in the case with bleeding) or an elective basis (as in the case of scarring). It is our policy as a courtesy to our patients not to charge a surgeon's fee for cosmetic revisions within 6 months from the original surgery date. We do, however, expect the patient to pay whatever other expenses arise as a result of treatment in hospital or outpatient settings. The patient is responsible for the expense of the facility and anesthesia for cosmetic revisions.

Sometimes the patient will have an insurance policy that will cover medically necessary complications. It depends upon the individual policy and how it is written. Kaiser Permanente is not a participating provider of other health insurance companies.

We hope that no complications arise and no revisions are necessary. However, no plastic surgeon can guarantee this to patients. It is important for the patient undergoing an elective surgical procedure to understand this financial policy. If you have any questions regarding this policy, The Aesthetic Center manager will be happy to discuss it with you.

Patient Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Surgery Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name

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

Witness Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name

Witness Signature: \_\_\_\_\_