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Partner Clinic Information

Arranging BTLs at Delivery for Self-Pay Patients

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Arranging for Bilateral Tubal Ligations at UNC Hospitals for women without
Insurance Coverage for the Procedure

- Be sure the patient is aware that this is a non-reversible procedure and that there are other options, such as the Nexplanon, the Mirena IUD, and the ParaGard IUD. These long acting reversible contraceptives (LARCs) provide a similar level of protection but allow a woman to become pregnant in the future if her reproductive desires change.
 - a. If a self-pay woman is certain she wants a BTL at the time of her delivery, she will need to make arrangements to pay for the procedure. The self-pay patient will need to make a deposit; the amount depends on the likely total cost as detailed below.
 - b. The patient should be aware that she will be expected to establish a payment plan with the financial counselor when she makes her down payment. The length of the plan is dependent on the cost of the procedure.
 - c. The costs quoted below are approximate and have been adjusted to reflect the deduction allowed by UNC Health care for self-pay patients.
- The estimated cost is \$4000 - \$7000. This reflects the self-pay discount.
 - a. For a planned Cesarean delivery, the down payment is \$186.
 - b. For an anticipated vaginal delivery, the down payment is \$350.
- Self-pay patients should contact a financial counselor at 984-974-8976 or 984-974-8977 to discuss the payment process. Forms of payment include credit card and debit. We encourage this contact be established

no later than 34 weeks. Once the down payment is received, the patient's receipt will be scanned under the media tab in Epic.

- Patient should be made aware of possibility of not having procedure during the postpartum hospitalization. If labor and delivery does not have the necessary staff to accommodate an elective procedure, patient will need to be seen in the Family Planning Clinic for an interval BTL. (See "Arranging Outpatient Self-Pay BTL's")

Please note that the charity care designation does not cover BTLs or IUDs; patients who have received this designation will be charged for the procedures at the self-pay rates noted above.

