

HEALTH ANSWERS

Preventive vs. Office visit



Dear VMG Patient,

Like any medical practice, Valley Medical Group bills for all the services we provide.

Yearly wellness visits are an important way to stay current on preventive services. You and your provider will talk about your lifestyle, risk for diseases, how to check for illnesses before you feel sick, and ways to be healthier.

You may come to your visit with other concerns, like a new health problem or a condition like high blood pressure, diabetes, or depression. We know you are busy, and so we will do our best to get you answers about these concerns at the time of your wellness visit.

If your problem is addressed at your yearly wellness visit, VMG will also bill for an Office Visit. You may be charged a co-pay or be responsible for meeting a deductible for these services.

Screening for medical conditions and counseling to reduce your risk of illness is an important part of your preventative care. Some insurance companies will require a copay for these services.

Sincerely, Marguerite Gump

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