MRI Cost Breakdown for Physicians and Patients

FIRSTSCAN™

Cost: \$595 (patient responsibility)

Radiologist Interpretation: Included

Coil/Antenna: ScanMed Procure Wearable Coil (cost

included). 100% Non-Invasive.

Contrast Injection: None

Sedation: None

Patient Prep: Gas-Ex (\$3.99 @ Walmart)

Images: CD included in cost. Images can be used for

MR-Guided Biopsy (dependent on system capability).

Scheduling: Same day/Next day

Exam Time: 20 min

On average, hospital Prostate MRI's are:

Rule of



-3x more expensive

-3x as inconvenient

-3x as long

Hospital

Cost: \$2000-\$3000 (\$2502 average), patient

responsibility dependent on insurance coverage. If the patient has not met his deductible, he will likely be billed for the full MRI cost up to the deductible.

Radiologist Interpretation: Cost may or may not be included.

Coil/Antenna: Endorectal coil. Highly Invasive. Can be billed separately.

Contrast: Gadolinium DCE Injection

Sedation: Muscle relaxing agent injection for

endorectal probe discomfort.

Patient Prep: Enema (\$11.99 @ Walgreens)

Images: Some hospitals charge \$25 per CD and

\$0.50 per page for paperwork.

Scheduling: Most hospital facilities are booked a

week to two months out.

Exam Time: 45-60 min



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MRI Average Cost to Patient When Billing Insurance

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Cost: \$595 (cannot bill insurance at this time)

Important Things to Remember

- Until the patient's deductible is met, the patient will most likely be responsible for all costs (depending on plan benefits).
- Once the deductible is met, most plans will pay at 80% of covered costs, with the patients paying 20% of covered costs, until the patient's maximum out of pocket expense it met.
- Independent Diagnostic Testing Facilities (such as Village Pointe and Advanced Medical) will typically refer a patient to a hospital for prostate studies and the hospital will use an endorectal coil (rectal probe), which can require more personnel, anesthesia (which is also billed separately), and a dynamic contrast injection. FirstScan does not need or use any of these given our proprietary non-invasive coil.
- Hospital fees typically do NOT include the radiologist fee, which can be billed separately. Total hospital charges can range from \$2000-\$3000.
- The average patient financial responsibility for an MRI in Omaha is approximately \$2500. (http://www.comparemricost.com/)

Average Patient Financial Responsibility When Billing BCBS of Nebraska when deductible not met

