

## A Message About Porter-Starke Services Prices

Porter-Starke Services is pleased to provide the current list of charges for inpatient psychiatric care and for intensive outpatient addictions treatment. If you have any questions about charges, please call 219-476-4546 and ask to speak with Client Financial Services.

Service	Basis	Charge
Room and Board - Inpatient Care	Per Day	\$1,200.00
Observation	First 6 hours	\$345.00
	Each Additional Hour	\$35.00
Group Therapy - Inpatient	Per 15 minutes	\$25.00
Individual Therapy - Inpatient	Per 15 minutes	\$50.00
Family Therapy - Inpatient	Per 15 minutes	\$50.00
* Pharmacy - Generic Medications	Average per day	\$88.68
* Pharmacy - Brand Name Medications	Average per day	\$239.91
* Pharmacy - Over the Counter Medications	Average per day	\$2.92
* Laboratory	Average per day	\$35.00
* Ambulance	If used from Porter-Starke	\$393.49
* Pass Through Charges		
Intensive Outpatient Addictions Treatment	Per Day	\$176.00

**Porter-Starke Services is committed to making all services accessible to all individuals regardless of their income or insurance status.** We provide discounts on charges based on family size and income. Our sliding fee scale is available on our website so that you can anticipate possible charges to you. If you do not qualify for a discount based on family size and income, it is possible to still receive a discount with the submission of qualifying income and expense information.

For inpatient care, Porter-Starke Services charges a daily rate which covers room and board (including meals) as well as the core staff who provide care and services to individuals in our Inpatient Care Center. In addition, there are charges for professional services. These may include charges for individual, group, and family therapy, laboratory charges, medication charges, and any additional charges for non-routine care such as ambulance.

Laboratory, pharmacy, and ambulance charges reflect services that are provided from outside sources that Porter-Starke Services “passes through” on the bill. In other words, Porter-Starke Services is charged for those services and passes those charges to the individual patient receiving those services. Outside sources charges only appear on a bill if an individual receives those services.

For purposes of price transparency and helping possible consumers anticipate charges for them, average per day charges are posted. The actual charges may be higher or lower than these averages based on actual services provided to each individual.

### Description of Services Inpatient Care Center:

- Room and Board: This includes the cost of the facility, equipment, and supplies, housekeeping, maintenance, security, nursing staff, administrative costs, and meals.
- Therapies: As part of the treatment program professional staff provide group therapy, individual therapy, and family therapy following the treatment plan that has been developed with the individual receiving care. Charges for those services are reflected in separate lines on the bill a patient may receive.
- Laboratory Charges: Laboratory is provided by an outside entity. Porter-Starke Services “passes through” those charges with a modest increase to reflect the additional time for administrative services necessary to track those services and manage the administrative functions related to those services.
- Medication Charges: Medication is provided by an outside Pharmacy. Porter-Starke Services “passes through” those charges with a modest increase to reflect the additional time for administrative services necessary to track those services and manage the administrative functions related to those services.
- Ambulance Charges: Ambulance transport is provided by an outside company. Porter-Starke Services “passes through” those charges with a modest increase to reflect the additional time for administrative services necessary to track those services and manage the administrative functions related to those services.

Most insurance companies, including Medicaid, pay for inpatient psychiatric care based on a negotiated per day charge that is all inclusive (a “per diem”). In some instances, unusual charges (for example an MRI) may be excluded from this “per diem” payment process. In those cases, an individual would expect to see an additional charge for these types of items. These circumstances are so unusual that Porter-Starke Services is not able to provide an average possible charge per individual patient.

### Description of Services Observation Stay:

Observation Stay reflects a period of time spent in the Inpatient Care Center that is used by professional staff to determine if more intensive treatment services are needed to treat the psychiatric condition.

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- Laboratory Charges: Laboratory is provided by an outside entity. Porter-Starke Services “passes through” those charges with a modest increase to reflect the additional time for administrative services necessary to track those services and manage the administrative functions related to those services.
- Medication Charges: Medication is provided by an outside Pharmacy. Porter-Starke Services “passes through” those charges with a modest increase to reflect the additional time for

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**Description of Services Intensive Outpatient Addictions Treatment:**

- The charge for Intensive Outpatient Addictions Treatment is a per day charge that is inclusive of all facility, administrative and professional services provided.

**Porter-Starke Services strives to meet the needs of the community we serve.  
Please call Client Financial Services (219-476-4546) if you have any questions.  
Staff will be happy to assist you.**