

You have been advised that you or your child would benefit from allergy testing and possibly allergy shots (immunotherapy) depending on the results of the test. Allergy testing and allergy shots are not covered by all insurance plans. Since all plans are different, we ask that you contact your insurance company directly to see if this is a covered benefit. You will want to verify coverage for testing, serum mixing and allergy shots. We have listed additional information below to make confirming benefits easier.

## **TESTING - Billing Code 95004**

First there is the charge for the skin prick test (Percutaneous method). The charge will be based on the number of allergens being tested (skin pricks). Based upon recommendations from the physician, this will range from 3 units to 80 units. For example, a full environmental allergy panel would be billed as 40 units and a full food allergy panel would be billed as 40 units.

## **SERUM - Billing Code 95165**

If you and our provider decide to proceed with immunotherapy (allergy shots) there is a charge for the serum that is injected. You will have your own serum that is specifically made for you and stored in the office. It is used only for you and no one else. The serum is formulated by our provider and is based on the prior allergy testing results. We will prepare this serum for a one year period. So, your insurance carrier will receive one claim per year.

-Covered by insurance?

-Applied to deductible?

-Paid at 100% of allowed amount?

-We will submit four claims in one calendar year for serum mixing. Are there restrictions?

## SERUM INJECTION/ALLERGY SHOT(S) - Billing Code 95115/95117

There is a charge for the nurse to administer each shot(s). This is charged each time you receive a shot(s). If you are getting one injection the code is 95115 and if you are getting two or more injections the code is 95117

-Covered by insurance?

-Applied to deductible?

-Paid at 100% of allowed amount?