

Information on Cost Contributions

Collection of the cost contribution is obligatory for inpatient admission in the general class due to regulations under federal law. This contribution is not a fee for meals, but a contribution to the costs of the relevant hospital. Its amount depends on the scope of costs that are taken over by the relevant health insurance.

The cost contribution is collected per patient per day, however for not more than 28 days per calendar year. Both the date of admission and the date of discharge are counted as inpatient day, regardless of how many hours the stay at the relevant institution lasted on that day.

Cost contribution of the insured person

The insured person must pay a daily cost contribution to the hospital. This amount is defined and collected by the hospital's legal entity (e.g. province, municipality). Its amount varies in each federal province.

The cost contribution is waived:

- if an actual exemption from prescription fees is available – *this does not apply* if the maximum limit of prescription fees for medicines is exceeded
- in the case of organ donations
- in the case of inpatient admission in connection with maternity

Cost contribution for co-insured persons

The insured person must pay a cost contribution in the amount stipulated by law for entitled dependents.

The cost contribution is waived:

- in the case of inpatient admission in connection with maternity
- in the case of organ donations

CAUTION: Even if an exemption from prescription fees is available for the insured person, the cost contribution must still be paid for the entitled dependents.

These hospital cost contributions must generally be paid on discharge.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Finance – Patient Service department.