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GROUPE SANTÉ

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est membre  
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Groupe santé CHC - bd Patience et Beaujonc 9 - 4000 Liège

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I would like my child, whom I am accompanying, to be admitted and cared for at the legal rate, **with no room supplement or additional fees. I am aware that my child will be admitted in a room with two beds or in a shared room.**

I expressly request that my child, whom I am accompanying, be admitted and treated **in a single room, without any room supplement**. I am aware that in the event of admission to a single room, the attending doctors may charge **an additional fee of up to 250%** of the statutory rate for medical services.

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I am paying (\*) euros as a deposit for my stay. (\*) the amount received is shown on the attached receipt

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### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- In the event of a stay in hospital, the Groupe santé CHC, if the patient is covered by a mutual insurance company, will invoice the mutual insurance company for a lump sum per day and a lump sum per admission, in accordance with the procedures laid down by the public authorities. The patient is responsible for paying the legal personal contribution, the legal admission charges and the room supplement.
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or..... born  
at..... on ..... / ..... / ....., residing at: .....

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## Explanation of the declaration of admission

As a patient, you can make certain choices that have a considerable influence on the final cost of your hospital stay. You make these choices on the admission form.

The purpose of this explanatory document is to give you information about the cost of your hospital stay, so that you can make an informed decision when completing your admission form.

The cost is determined by the following factors:

1. how you are insured;
2. the type of room you choose;
3. the length of your stay in hospital;
4. pharmaceutical costs;
5. fees invoiced by doctors and paramedics;
6. the cost any additional products and services.

The hospital provides you with transparent, practical information on all the aspects that affect the cost of your stay.

### **Do you have any other question about the cost of your medical treatment or hospital stay?**

**You should first contact the Patient Administration Department, tel 04/355.78.60 from 9am to 12.30pm or your GP.**

**You can also contact your mutual insurance company.**

**If necessary, our hospital's social services department and mediation service can help you (contact details are available on the hospital's website).**

**For more information on the costs associated with your stay and treatment, visit [www.chc.be](http://www.chc.be).**

**The law on patients' rights stipulates that each professional practitioner is obliged to clearly inform the patient about the treatment in question. This information also covers the financial consequences of the treatment.**

## 1 Insurance

All residents of Belgium are obliged to join a mutual health insurance fund. Health insurance, through the mutual insurance company, pays part of the costs of your medical treatment and hospitalisation. As a patient, you must also bear part of these costs. This is your personal contribution (or ticket modérateur). Some people, depending on their income and/or family situation, may be entitled to a **higher contribution** from the mutual health insurance fund (also known as a preferential rate). In the event of hospitalisation, these people pay a lower personal share than an ordinary insured person. Don't hesitate to ask your mutual insurance company if you are entitled to the increased rate.

People who are **not covered** compulsory health insurance have to bear **all** the costs of their hospitalisation themselves. These costs can be considerable. It is therefore extremely important that your compulsory health insurance is in order. If you have any doubts or problems, contact your mutual insurance company as soon as possible.

Some operations (particularly those of a **purely cosmetic nature**) are not reimbursed by the mutual insurance company. If this is the case, you will have to pay the full cost of your hospitalisation (medical treatment and stay) yourself, even if you benefit from the enhanced procedure. Please contact your doctor or your mutual insurance company for information on the possibilities of reimbursement for certain operations.

If your hospitalisation is due to an accident at work, please mention this when you are admitted. If the Accidents at Work insurance recognises the accident, it will pay the hospital directly. Some costs are never reimbursed by the Accidents at Work insurance. This is the case, for example, for single room supplements: you must pay these supplements yourself.

If you have taken out **supplementary hospital insurance**, your insurance company may also contribute to the cost of your hospitalisation. Only your insurance company can tell you costs, if any, it will reimburse. Ask your insurer for details.

If you are not in one of the above situations (e.g. patient dependent on a CPAS, patient insured in another EU Member State, etc.), contact the **hospital's social services department** for more information about your rights.

## 2 Choice of room

The type of room you choose for your stay has a decisive influence on the cost of your hospital stay.

Your choice of room has no impact on the quality of care you receive or on your freedom to choose your doctor.

As a patient, you can opt for:

- a **shared bedroom**,
- a **twin room**,
- a **single room**.

If, in the event of hospitalisation with an overnight stay, you occupy a **shared room** or a **room with two beds**, you will not pay **any room supplement or additional fees**.

If you expressly opt for a single room (and if you actually stay there), the hospital may charge **you room supplement**, and the doctors may charge **extra fees**. A stay in a single room is therefore more expensive than a stay in a shared room or a room with two beds.

**By choosing a certain type of room, you agree to associated financial conditions in terms of room supplement and additional fees.**

- If, through no fault of your own, you choose to stay in a more expensive room type, the same financial conditions will apply as for the room type you have chosen. (For example, if you opt for a shared room but there is no shared room available, you will be allocated a single room. The conditions for the shared room apply) as no shared room is available, you will be allocated a single room. The conditions for a shared room apply).
- If, through no fault of your own, you stay in a less expensive type of room, the financial conditions associated with the type of room you are actually occupying will apply. (For example, you opt for a single room but, because no single room is available, you are given a shared room. The conditions of the shared room apply, even if you occupy this room alone.)

## 3 Accommodation costs

### **1. Statutory personal contribution per day**

Regardless of the type of room you choose, you pay a personal share, as stipulated by law, per day of hospital stay and treatment.

	<b>Beneficiary with preferential rate</b>	<b>Child, dependant</b>	<b>Long-term unemployed (single or head of household) and their dependants</b>	<b>Beneficiary with dependants and their dependants</b>	<b>Other beneficiary</b>
<b>Day 1</b>	7.94 euros/day	65.25 euros/day	65.25 euros/day	78.54 euros/day	78.54 euros/day
<b>From day 2</b>	7.94 euros/day	7.94 euros/day	7.94 euros/day	21.23 euros/day	21.23 euros/day
<b>From the 91st day</b>	7.94 euros/day	7.94 euros/day	7.94 euros/day	7.94 euros/day	21.23 euros/day

In our hospital, the cost of a stay is €782.59; €575.13/Revalidation per day of stay.

If you are not in good standing with your health insurer, you will have to pay the full cost yourself.

## 2. Room supplement per day

It is strictly forbidden to charge room supplements for a stay in a *shared* or *twin* room.

If you expressly opt for a single room and actually stay there, the hospital may charge you a room supplement. The room supplement in our hospital is:

- 62€ - (CHC MontLégia/Paediatrics - shared sanitary room)
- 86€ - (CHC MontLégia/ Geriatrics, Revalidation; CHC Waremmé/Geriatrics, Revalidation)
- 93€ - (CHC Waremmé/Medicine, Surgery)
- 113€ - (CHC MontLégia/ Surgery, Medicine)
- 125€ - (CHC MontLégia/Maternité)
- 155€ - (CHC MontLégia/Maternité-Confort)

The law prohibits patients from being charged a room supplement in the following exceptional situations:

- If your doctor considers that admission to a single room is medically necessary;
- If, for organisational reasons, you are occupying a single room because the type of room you have chosen is not available;
- If you are admitted to or transferred to an intensive care unit or emergency department and remain in this unit for the duration of your stay;
- If the admission is for a child accompanied a parent.

## 4 Pharmaceutical costs

These costs include drugs, implants, prostheses, non-implantable medical devices, etc. These costs may be fully or partially payable by the patient, regardless of the type of room chosen.

For drugs covered by the health insurance scheme, you pay a fixed personal share of €0.62 per day (fixed price). This amount is deducted from your hospital bill. Hospital charges include a large number of medicines that are not billed separately. You will always have to pay this fixed amount, whether or not you use any medicines and whatever the medicines themselves.

Medicines that are not covered by the mutual insurance company are not included in this package and must be paid for in full. They are listed separately on the invoice.

The cost of certain implants, prostheses, non-implantable medical devices, etc. is also wholly or partly your responsibility. This cost depends on the type of product supplied and the materials from which it is made. These materials and products are prescribed by your doctor. Do not hesitate to ask your doctor for information about the nature and cost of these products.

## 5 Doctors' fees

### 1. Legal rate

The official or legal rate refers to the fees that the doctor may charge the patient. These fees include:

- the amount reimbursed health insurance,
- the statutory personal share (= the amount you, as the patient, have to pay). Sometimes the service is reimbursed in full by health insurance scheme. In this case, personal share is due.

There are also services that are not covered by health insurance and for which doctors are free to set their own fees.

### 2. Personal legal share

Regardless of the type of room you choose, you must pay the statutory personal contribution (= ticket modérateur) for your (para)medical treatment. The legal personal contribution applies to all patients whose health insurance is in order. People whose health insurance is not in order must bear all the costs of their hospitalisation themselves (see point 1).

### 3. Additional fees

In addition to the statutory fee, hospital doctors may charge extra fees. These supplementary fees are entirely at the patient's expense, and are not covered by health insurance.

It is against the law to charge extra fees if, in the case of an overnight stay in hospital, you occupy a *shared* room or a *room with two beds*.

The maximum fee supplement charged in our hospital is stated on the admission and amounts to 250%.

If you expressly opt for a single room and actually stay there, all doctors can charge you extra fees.

- The amount that a doctor may charge as an additional fee in our hospital is equivalent to a maximum of 250% of the legal rate. Any doctor involved in your treatment (anaesthetist, surgeon, etc.) may charge additional fees. Example: a doctor charges a fee supplement of up to 100%. For a procedure that legally costs 75 euros and is reimbursed at 50 euros by the mutual insurance company, you will pay 100 euros yourself (25 euros personal contribution and 75 euros additional fee).

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### 4. Admission a child accompanied by a parent

If a child is admitted accompanied by a parent, it is possible to opt for the child to be hospitalised and treated at the legal rate, with no room supplement and no additional fees. In this case, a child accompanied by a parent will be admitted to a double room or a shared room.

If, in the event of hospitalisation of a child accompanied a parent single room is expressly chosen and if the child and the accompanying parent actually stay in such a room, the hospital may not **charge room supplements**. However, each doctor involved in the treatment may charge **an additional fee**.

### 5. Schematic overview of supplements for overnight admissions

	Choice of shared room or twin room	Choice a single room
<u>Room supplement</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>YES</u> NO, yes: - your doctor decides that your state of health, your examinations, your treatment or your supervision require a single room; - you have opted for a <i>shared room</i> or a <i>twin room</i> , but neither is available; - you are admitted to the Intensive Care Unit or the Emergency Department; - admission is for a child accompanied by a parent.
<u>Additional fees</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>YES</u> NO, yes: - your doctor decides that your state of health, your examinations, your treatment or your supervision require a single room; - you have opted for a <i>shared room</i> or a <i>twin room</i> , but neither is available; - you are admitted to the Intensive Care Unit or the Emergency Department;

## 6. Billing

Any extra fees will be billed by the hospital.

Never pay them directly to the doctor.

Don't hesitate to ask your GP for information about their additional fees.

## 6 Other miscellaneous expenses

During your stay hospital, you may be able to use a certain number of products and services (e.g. telephone, water, internet, etc.) for medical reasons and/or for comfort.

The accommodation costs (bed linen, meals, etc.) of a companion who has not been admitted as a patient and who remains at your bedside will also be billed as "miscellaneous costs".

You will be entirely responsible for these costs, regardless of the type of room you choose.

A summary of the prices of these products and services can be consulted in the admissions department and on the hospital website.

Here are a few examples of services and products that are very much in demand:

- Room comforts: *telephone, fridge, television and internet connection*;
- meals and drinks: additional meals, snacks and drinks;
- hygiene products: basic toiletries (soap, toothpaste, cologne, etc.) and toiletries (comb, toothbrush, shaving kit, tissues, etc.);
- laundry (personal linen);
- accompanying person: occupancy of a room or bed, meals and drinks;
- other miscellaneous goods and services: other goods in high demand (feeding bottles, dummies, breast pumps, crutches, ear plugs, small office equipment, etc.) and services in high demand (manicure, pedicure, hairdresser, etc.), etc.

## 7 Down payments

The hospital may ask for a deposit per stay. The amount of the deposit is governed by regulations

	Beneficiary with preferential rate	Children as persons dependent	Other beneficiary
Shared room	42 euros	75 euros	150 euros
Single room (62 euros)	484 euros	509 euros	584 euros
Single room (86 euros)	652 euros	677 euros	752 euros
Single room (93 euros)	701 euros	726 euros	801 euros
Single room (113 euros)	841 euros	866 euros	941 euros
Single room (125 euros)	925 euros	950 euros	1025 euros
Single room (155 euros)	1135 euros	1160 euros	1235 euros

If the hospital is informed that you are entitled to the maximum chargeable amount, a deposit can only be requested for a stay in a single room, and not for a stay in a semi-private or shared room.

## 8 Miscellaneous

All amounts mentioned in this document are subject to indexation and may therefore be modified during the period of hospitalisation. These amounts apply to patients whose compulsory health insurance is in order (see point 1).

### Do you have any other questions about the costs of your medical treatment or stay?

You should first contact the Patient Administration Department, tel 04/355.78.60 from 9am to 12.30pm or your GP. You can also contact your mutual insurance company.

If necessary, our hospital's social services and mediation department will also be happy to help (*their contact details are available in the welcome brochure for inpatients*).

For more information on the costs associated with your stay and treatment, visit [www.chc.be](http://www.chc.be).

The law on patients' rights stipulates that each professional practitioner is obliged to clearly inform the patient about the treatment in question. This information also covers the financial consequences of the treatment.