STUDENT COUNSELING CENTER FEES AND CHARGES

In May of 2010, the ISU Board of Trustees decided that Student Counseling Center services would no longer be offered free of charge. This decision was based in part due to the budgetary issues faced by the University and the increasing costs to provide services to ISU students. As a result, students seeking counseling services will be allowed a first appointment free of charge after which there will be a one-time charge of $60 for continuation of "normal counseling services" for the remainder of the academic year. This is an access of service fee that will be billed directly to your ISU account. The Student Counseling Center is not set up to take direct payments from students and therefore cannot and will not accept any form of payment from students within the Center. Please note that because this is a point of access fee and not fee for service, this charge cannot be billed to your health insurance.

As noted earlier, this one-time fee is primarily for the continuation of "normal" counseling services. It is possible to accumulate other charges and below is a list of the current fee structure.

Counseling and Psychiatry
- The one-time fee of $60 primarily covers counseling (Individual, Group, and Couple's counseling) and use of the psychiatrist during the fall and spring semesters.
- If you enter counseling in the spring semester, you may have your charges prorated to $30 depending on when you come in.
- Please note that students seeking services during the summer will be billed $30, which will cover both summer sessions.
- Paying the $60 fee does not entitle you to see the psychiatrist. Psychiatric referral is done on a case by case basis and must be arranged by the counselor. As noted in the consent form, to see the psychiatrist you must be actively seeing a counselor within the Counseling Center.
- This fee will reset at the beginning of each academic year.

No-show Fees
- As indicated in the consent for treatment, you are expected to attend all scheduled appointments or cancel in advance.
  - If you opt to schedule a follow-up appointment after your initial free visit and do not show for that appointment, you will be billed $15 for the no-show.
  - Once you begin regular counseling, no-show fees will be assessed at $20 per every two sessions that you miss without calling to cancel prior.
- Because psychiatric consultation is in such high demand:
  - If you do not show for your first appointment with the psychiatrist and fail to cancel at least 24 hours in advance, you will be charged $55 for failure to show.
  - If you fail to show for a medication management appointment, you will be billed $15.
  - If you no-show on the psychiatrist twice, you will no longer have access to this service for the remainder of the year.

Court-ordered Alcohol and Other Drugs Assessment (AOD)
- The charge for court ordered AOD assessments is $125
- These assessments are conducted over three sessions
  - First session- first appointment and basic information
  - Second session- formal drug and alcohol assessment
  - Third session - formal feedback
- If at the time of the assessment you self-identify as needing or wanting additional counseling, the regular fee of $60 will be reduced to $30 as a courtesy, therefore making the total to be billed $155
• If you decide that you do not want counseling at the time of the assessment and return later requesting counseling, the full $60 fee will be charged. There will be no exceptions made regarding this.
• If you start the assessment process and do not complete it, you will still be charged the same amount.
• AOD assessments conducted on behalf of the Office of Student Conduct and Integrity will be considered as falling within the standard $60 one-time fee.

**Alcohol and Marijuana Classes**
• Alcohol and marijuana classes are a total of $25 for three group sessions,
• Prior to being assigned to one of these groups, all students must undergo a first appointment with a counselor to determine if this is an appropriate referral.
  ○ The first appointment assessment is free of charge.
  ○ Cases not appropriate for these classes will be referred for individual counseling.
• If you do not complete all three sessions with your assigned group at the time they are offered and later return requesting to do so, you will be charged an additional $25 and have to restart the class from the beginning.
  ○ An exception may be made if you talk with the Director prior to not completing a session, however, this will be granted on a case by case basis.
• Please note that these classes will not replace drug and alcohol classes required by the courts; however, in some circumstances they may be counted as part of a counseling requirement.
• Completion or failure to complete a class will be reported back to the referral source.

**Psychological Assessment**
• The Student Counseling Center will from time to time do various psychological assessments for ISU students. If these assessments are considered as part of the therapy process, they will be done at no charge.
• Students coming to the SCC primarily for assessment will be charged a varying rate depending on who completes the assessment, the type of assessment done, and the overall amount of time needed to complete the process. On average, the amount will range from $60 to $150.

Any disputes about billing should be discussed with the Director of the Center who will make a final determination. A copy of this form is available upon request.

I have read and agree to comply with the SCC Policies and Procedures regarding fees.

Name (printed): __________________________________________________________

Signature: ______________________________________________________________

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Date: __________________________________________________________________

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☐ Counseling  FY  Fall  Spring  Summer  Other
   Individual  Group
☐ AOD  alcohol group  marijuana group  Court Ordered Assessment
☐ Psychological Assessment  ADHD  LD  Personality  Other
☐ Other charges: _______________________________________________________

Date Charged: ______________  Amount charged: ______________

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