

Please enact this proposal immediately. My husband went to the ER at Indiana Regional Medical Center in Indiana PA this past October. This hospital is a preferred provider of our insurance company, Health America, and the doctors there have always accepted our insurance. We were shocked when we received a bill from the ER doctor for \$911. When I called our insurance, I was told that the doctor was out of network but since it was an emergency they paid him what they would pay an in network doctor. I then called the doctor's billing center & was told to appeal it with my insurance co. I'm still fighting this charge & being sent back & forth between the doctor's billing office & my insurance company. Many states outlaw balance billing in these circumstances and I hope PA joins them. Thanks, Mary Jo Fennell