

Yes, something needs to be done to stop these scams.

1. When you go to the hospital, you have no way of knowing if all the attendees are in-network and they will not tell you if they are in or out of network. If the hospital is in-network then all the attendees must also be considered in-network, without the hidden fees, sometimes weeks later.
2. Another scam for more money is when a doctor comes in and asks you if he can consult for 2 minutes. If you say OK, you open yourself up to substantial fees from him without your prior knowledge. Some doctors use this scam for more money. If they ask for consultations say NO.
3. The newest scam is when the hospital says they are admitting you, but actually put you on outpatient observation. The coverage is much less and your bills are much more. If you go to the hospital in the evenings, or the weekends, or holidays ; they cannot get hold of the insurance company to authorize admittance. They just tell you that you are being admitted in the ER but really place you under outpatient observation, but will not tell you this until discharge or the next day. This way you incur much higher bills than if they did actually admit you.

Something needs to be done to stop these insurance scams! ***disgusted with the medical profession!***