

Timber Lane Allergy & Asthma Associates, PC
Allergy Injection Information Sheet

We recommend that you contact your insurance company before beginning allergy immunotherapy to be sure you know your financial responsibilities. Your insurance company is the best source in answering your specific questions regarding benefits, referrals and copayments.

If your insurance requires referrals, you will be responsible for obtaining referrals from your primary care physician. When requesting referrals from your primary care physician, it would be helpful if you asked them to provide a referral that is as needed for one year.

Listed below are the codes we use when billing for allergy immunotherapy. If you receive your injections in another physician's office you should check with them regarding their billing procedures for injections. You will, however, be billed by our office for the allergy vaccine regardless of where you receive the injections.

When we bill for your allergy injections we do not bill for an office visit. We bill using injection codes. The code for one (1) injection is 95115 and the code for two (2) or more injections is 95117. The charges range from \$24.00 to \$32.00 depending on the number of injections given. **All copayments/coinsurances/deductibles for injections must be paid on the day of the injection.** Your insurance may require you to pay a copayment/coinsurances/deductibles on your vaccine as well as the injection.

Vials of **allergy vaccine** are prepared specifically for each patient. The code used for billing allergy vaccine is 95165. The cost of each treatment set for vaccine ranges from \$555.00 to \$600.00 depending on the number of doses in the vial. Initially up to five vials are prepared and billed at one time in each treatment set. (For example, if the patient is to receive two injections each time, initially, ten vials would be prepared.) As the maintenance (final) vial in the series is depleted, a new one will be made to replenish your supply. New maintenance vials will continue to be prepared, as needed, through the course of your therapy. The cost of subsequent vials of vaccine would be less expensive as only maintenance vials would be prepared.

Patients on **venom** injections will be billed for vials of venom using the codes 95145 through 95149. This cost is dependent on the number of doses in the vial in addition to the number of venoms in the vial. An estimate for a patient just starting venom immunotherapy could range from \$760.00 to \$3500.00. The cost of subsequent vials of venom would be less expensive as there are fewer doses in the vials. Specific price information will be provided to you at the time of your immunotherapy discussion.

Vaccines are mixed in our office on Tuesdays. If you are receiving your injections at your primary care physician's office, we ask that you allow three (3) weeks for us to prepare and send out each new vial as needed. **If you are planning to receive your injections at another office, please be sure to check with that office to be sure that they will administer your allergy injections.**

***Patients on immunotherapy need to have an Epi-Pen with them on the day of the injection.**

***Patients should routinely take an antihistamine on the day of an injection.**

***Patients are required to stay in the office for 30 minutes after each injection.**

***In case of inclement weather, we ask that you call before coming for injections to be sure that our office is open.**

***Hours for allergy injections:** Patients just beginning will be called when their allergy vaccine is ready. An appointment will be scheduled for the 1st injection (1st three injections for venom patients). After that time, patients may arrive during the hours posted below:

INJECTION HOURS BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

Monday	8:00am – 3:45pm
Tuesday	8:00am – 3:45pm
Wednesday	8:00am – 3:45pm
Thursday	8:00am – 4:45pm

Friday **OFFICE IS CLOSED – NO INJECTIONS**

Please feel free to speak with someone in our Business Office or Lab if you have questions or concerns.

(Please note that prices are subject to change.)

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