

Bright Futures Speech Therapy, PLLC

No Surprises Act and Good Faith Estimate

The No Surprises Act became effective on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022, and protects patients from surprise medical bills for out-of-network services received during emergency care, non-emergency care at an in-network facility, and certain services provided by out-of-network providers at in-network facilities. It requires providers at facilities to give patients a good faith estimate of expected charges for these services, helping patients understand potential costs upfront and avoid surprise bills. The Act also establishes a dispute resolution process for providers, insurers, and patients to resolve billing disagreements fairly.