

WELCOME TO THE ALLERGY CONNECTION

WHAT IS AN ALLERGY?

The term “allergy” is frequently debated among the medical community. To many general allergists, the word refers primarily to the adverse effects of inhalants such as pollens and animal dander’s. These allergens can cause symptoms such as hay fever and asthma. In actuality, allergies or hypersensitivities are much broader in scope and involve adverse reactions caused not only by inhalants, but also by the food we eat and the chemicals present in our air, food, and water. Food, chemical, mold and other allergies cause symptoms that are diverse and include not only hay fever and asthma but also fatigue, headaches, abdominal pain and many others. In addition, allergies can often affect the central nervous system and cause learning, behavior and developmental problems in children. Fortunately, many of these allergy conditions can be helped. Modern testing methods have made it easier to detect hidden allergies and prescribe a treatment, which will enable the patient to live a healthier, happier life.

At the offices of Richard E. Layton, M.D., our goal is to listen to you to evaluate your entire medical history. We want to make you a partner in achieving your good health.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR INITIAL VISIT

1. Mail online forms one week prior to your initial visit.
2. Please do not wear any perfume, cologne, nail polish, or any other scented cosmetics, soaps, etc.
3. Do not smoke when you reach the office.
4. Take your normal medications but do not take any antihistamines for three days prior to the office visit, if allergy testing is planned.
5. Bring in all medications which you are taking and the dosage prescribed.
6. Wear a short-sleeved blouse or shirt in case allergy testing occurs.
7. Arrive 15 minutes before your appointment to complete your personal information card.

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You determine what your costs per day of testing will be, since you have complete control over the number of tests you wish completed on any given testing day. We work on a payment for services rendered basis. So, if you have a limit set, please let us know.

The fee is \$8.00 for each test dose received. Once testing has been completed, you will receive a one-month supply of treatment containing 30 doses at a total cost of \$75.00. You are required to pay for services rendered at the end of each visit. Cash, personal checks, American Express, Discover Card, Master Card and Visa are all accepted. We will then give you two copies of the bill to take home. You should submit the yellow copy to your insurance carrier for reimbursement and keep the pink copy for your personal records.