
18 U.S. Code § 4048

Fees for health care services for prisoners

(a) **Definitions.**— In this section—

- (1) the term “account” means the trust fund account (or institutional equivalent) of a prisoner;
- (2) the term “Director” means the Director of the Bureau of Prisons;
- (3) the term “health care provider” means any person who is—
 - (A) authorized by the Director to provide health care services; and
 - (B) operating within the scope of such authorization;
- (4) the term “health care visit”—
 - (A) means a visit, as determined by the Director, by a prisoner to an institutional or noninstitutional health care provider; and
 - (B) does not include a visit initiated by a prisoner—
 - (i) pursuant to a staff referral; or
 - (ii) to obtain staff-approved follow-up treatment for a chronic condition; and
- (5) the term “prisoner” means—
 - (A) any individual who is incarcerated in an institution under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Prisons; or
 - (B) any other individual, as designated by the Director, who has been charged with or convicted of an offense against the United States.

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