



Q: What is CareCredit? Should I use CareCredit to pay my medical bills?

A: CareCredit is a credit card that Christie Clinic has dressed up as a payment plan, without warning their clients about the severe penalties they could face. After the promotional period, if the balance has not been paid in full, CareCredit applies an APR of 29% retroactively, using the initial balance! Christie Clinic has started coercing clients into using CareCredit to pay off their bills in order to see a doctor. Before you consider signing up for CareCredit, be sure to read all the fine print and do not count on Christie Clinic staff to provide you with all the information you need to know about CareCredit. If Christie Clinic really cared about their patients, instead of selling them high interest credit cards, they would offer reasonable payment plans and then honor those agreements! Beware of CareCredit!

For more information, call the CCHCC Consumer Health Hotline at (217) 352-6533.

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