

Your child's physician has recommended the ScolioScore™ AIS Prognostic Test, a new highly personalized genetic test, because he has determined it is medically necessary to determine the likelihood of Scoliosis curve progression.

ScolioScore AIS Prognostic Test

ScolioScore is a clinically validated, multi-gene test that provides an assessment of the likelihood of progression to a severe curve for patients who have been diagnosed with Adolescent Idiopathic Scoliosis (AIS).

ScolioScore is leading the way to individualized scoliosis treatment by providing patient specific information that is used to help health care providers optimize treatment plans. The ScolioScore AIS Prognostic Test is intended for patients:

Table 1. ScolioScore Indications for Use

Diagnosis	Adolescent Idiopathic Scoliosis
Age Range	9 – 13 years of age
Gender	Female or Male
Ethnicities	Caucasian (North American, South American, European, Eastern European, Middle Eastern)
Curve Type	Mild Curve (10 – 25° Cobb Angle)

Benefits of the SHARP Reimbursement Program

What can Axial Biotech's SHARP program do for me? One call to our SHARP representatives should be enough to address all reimbursement related services including:

- ▾ **Reimbursement Counseling**
The SHARP Program provides a single point of contact, with a trained reimbursement representative, who can assist during the entire billing and reimbursement process.
- ▾ **Prior Authorization**
A Prior Authorization will only be attempted if it is a known requirement of the patient's insurance. However, obtaining a prior authorization is not always a guarantee of payment by the insurance carrier.
- ▾ **Claims Processing**
Axial Biotech's SHARP team will submit the claim for payment to the patient's insurance carrier, once the ScolioScore test results have been released to the managing physician.
- ▾ **Claims Appeals**
A SHARP representative may call you to ask for your assistance with the appeals process, if it is required by your insurance plan.
- ▾ **Payment Plans**
After the appeals process, if the patient's insurance continues to deny the claim, or there is still a balance owed due to co-pays, deductibles or out of pocket expenses, the SHARP team will work with the patient's family to develop a payment plan that will meet their needs.
- ▾ **Financial Assistance**
The SHARP Program has Financial Assistance, Uninsured Patient, and Self-Pay Discount Plans available for individuals that qualify. Please contact our SHARP representatives to determine eligibility.

When Should I Contact SHARP?

SHARP representatives are available to assist you before, during and after the testing process:

- ▾ **Before** – If your child's physician has determined that the ScolioScore test is medically necessary, you may contact SHARP prior to testing. Our SHARP representatives can help to determine what your financial responsibility would be.
- ▾ **During** – If your insurance claim is denied, please contact a SHARP representative for assistance with the appeals process.
- ▾ **After** – If there are balances owed (co-pays, deductibles, out of pocket expenses) after your insurer has paid, or if your insurance company has refused to cover ScolioScore and all appeals available to you have been exhausted, please contact a SHARP representative to determine if you qualify for financial assistance or to work out a payment plan.

To see if you qualify, please call the SHARP team confidentially at **877-SHARP10** (1-877-742-7710)



Frequently Asked Questions

Q: I received a statement from my insurance company that looks like a bill. What should I do?

A: As we go through the reimbursement process, your insurer will send you Explanation of Benefits statements (EOBs). These EOBs are not bills, but are instead intended to inform you of where your claim is in the process. For example, you will receive an EOB when the initial claim has been submitted, when a payment has been made or denied on your behalf, or to request additional information. Many times, these statements do say “This is not a bill.” If you receive an EOB, or any other communications from your insurer, and you have any questions or concerns, please call a SHARP representative for clarification and assistance.

Q: How do I qualify for financial assistance? Is it only intended for those with low income?

A: Our financial assistance program is intended to reduce or eliminate a qualified patient’s financial obligation for any non-covered balances for ScolioScore. It is Axial’s intent to assist with making ScolioScore available to those patients for whom their physician believes it is medically appropriate. Our financial assistance plan is based on your income and other financial obligations such as mortgage or rent payments, car payments, education and non-reimbursed medical expenses. This program is not intended only for low-income individuals—many of our patients do qualify for some assistance.

Note: You and your physician may be called upon to assist in helping the SHARP team with the reimbursement process.



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SHARP™ Reimbursement Program for ScolioScore™



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Axial Biotech, Inc. has established the SHARP™ Program, to assist physicians and their patients with making the insurance billing process as easy as possible. Our goal is to provide access to the ScolioScore™ AIS Prognostic Test to all patients regardless of insurance coverage.