

# COST COMPARISON: ER vs. URGENT CARE

Billions of dollars are wasted each year because patients visit the wrong health care centers during non-emergencies. Perhaps individuals are unaware of the cost differences, or maybe they simply don't know where to go at the time. The following illustration is an estimation of some common illnesses. It provides a comparison between emergency room (ER) and urgent care costs.

ER



\$700

\$600

\$625

\$600

\$400

URINARY TRACT INFECTION  
(UTI)

EARACHE

SORE THROAT

ACUTE COUGHING

ALLERGIES

URGENT CARE



\$100

\$100

\$75

\$100

\$75

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