

What Nixon Will Pay For Hospital Stay

Washington

President Nixon will pay \$61 a day for his hospital care at Bethesda Naval Medical Center, the White House said yesterday.

If he stays the expected eight days, that would bring the President's cost to \$488 for treatment of his viral pneumonia.

Deputy press secretary Gerald L. Warren said that Mr. Nixon will not have to pay anything for doctors' care. Three of his doctors are military men and already under salary for their

jobs. The fourth doctor, called in as a consultant, is pulmonary disease expert Sol Katz of Georgetown University Hospital. Katz has volunteered his time on the President's case, Warren said.

The hospital's costs at the government facility are billed at two rates. The active duty military rate is \$1.75 a day. A so-called congressional rate of \$61 a day is charged government officials. Mr. Nixon will pay the congressional rate. Warren said. *Associated Press*