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Private-Pay (Opt-Out) Medical Services Contract

Section 4507 of the 1997 Balanced Budget Act allows a physician or practitioner to enter a private contract with a Medicare beneficiary.

WHY A SPECIAL CONTRACT?

I have not been excluded from providing medical services under Social Security Act Medicare (including sections 1128, 1156, 1892, CFR section 405, subpart D. I, Kelly Wedeven, have chosen to separate myself ("out out") from Medicare. My current opt-out started January 25, 2025, and ends January 24, 2027. Because I opted out, Medicare requires I have you sign a private-pay medical services contract before I treat you.

WHO PAYS FOR SERVICES?

You are responsible for paying the cost of services (self-pay).

ARE THERE CHARGE LIMITS?

No, Medicare charge limits do not apply to products or services you receive from me through this private-pay medical services contract. The charge will be an amount you and I agree to.

WILL MEDICARE HELP PAY?

No, Medicare will not help pay your bill. Because I separated from Medicare, it is against the rules for you to send a bill to Medicare for my services or ask to send the bill to Medicare for you.

BUT ISN'T THIS A MEDICARE-COVERED SERVICE?

Yes and no. Yes, Medicare would pay for the same service from a provider who is connected to Medicare. No, Medicare won't pay because I have separated myself from Medicare.

WHAT OPTIONS DO I HAVE?

You have the right to get your product or service from a provider connected to Medicare or from me, a provider separated from Medicare. Even if you get your product or service from me, you can always get products and services from providers connected to Medicare. These providers are not required to have you sign private-pay medical services contracts.

WHAT IF I AM HAVING A MEDICAL EMERGENCY?

This contract does NOT cover emergency or urgent care services. If you have an emergency or urgent medical need, you may ask me for help. It is against Medicare rules for me to have you sign a private-pay medical services contract for emergency or urgent medical services.

WILL MY MEDIGAP OR OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL PLAN HELP PAY?

No, Medigap plans WILL NOT help pay for products or services you get from me. If you have some other medical insurance plan, it might or might not help pay your bill. Please contact your secondary insurance to make that determination.

WHAT ELSE DO I NEED TO DO?

If you decide to sign this contract, make sure that I also sign the contract.

It is also important you get a copy of the contract to keep. This way you will have a copy to look at if you have any questions about the contract in the future.

WILL CMS GET A COPY OF THE CONTRACT?

I, the provider, will supply a copy of this contract in the event CMS requests a copy.

PROVIDER NPI: 1912923871

Patient Signature

Date

Provider Signature

Date