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MEDICARE PRIVATE CONTRACT

A provision in the Social Security Act permits Medicare beneficiaries and physicians to contract privately outside of the Medicare program. A "Private Contract" is a contract between a Medicare beneficiary and a physician or other practitioner who has opted out of Medicare. In a private contract, the Medicare beneficiary agrees to give up Medicare payment for services furnished by the physician/practitioner and to pay the physician/practitioner without regard to any limits that would otherwise apply to what the physician/practitioner could charge. **Patients and physicians who take advantage of this provision are not permitted to submit claims or to expect payment for those services from Medicare.** *Exception:* In an emergency or urgent care situation, a physician/practitioner who opts out may treat a Medicare beneficiary with whom he/she does not have a private contract and bill for such treatment. In such a situation, the physician/practitioner may not charge the beneficiary more than what a non-participating physician/practitioner would be permitted to charge and must submit a claim to Medicare on the beneficiary's behalf. Payment will be made for Medicare covered items or services furnished in emergency or urgent situations when the beneficiary has not signed a private contract with that physician/practitioner.

Patient Name _____ Date of Birth _____

Patient Street Address _____ Apt # _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

This agreement is between Dr. Samuel Levine whose office is located at 166 Bunn Drive, Princeton, NJ 08540, and patient (indicated above) who is a Medicare Part B beneficiary seeking services covered under Medicare Part B. I have informed my patient that I have opted out of the Medicare Program effective November 1, 2015.

- Patient agrees not to submit a claim (or request that Physician submit a claim) to the Medicare program even if covered by Medicare Part B.
- Patient is not currently in an emergency or urgent health care situation.
- Patient acknowledges that neither Medicare's fee limitations nor any other Medicare reimbursement regulations apply to charges for my services.
- Patient accepts full responsibility for payment of my fees for services rendered.
- Patient understands that Medicare limits do not apply to what I may charge for my services.



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- Patient understands that Medicare payment will not be made for any service provided by me that would have otherwise been covered by Medicare if there were no private contract and a proper Medicare claim was submitted.
- Patient understands that secondary/supplemental plans may not provide reimbursement because payment will not be made under the Medicare program.
- Patient enters into this contract with the knowledge that he/she has the right to obtain Medicare covered items and services from doctors who have not opted out of Medicare, and the patient is not compelled to enter into private contracts that apply to other Medicare covered services furnished by other doctors who have not opted out.
- Patient acknowledges that a copy of this contract has been made available to him/her.

Patient Name _____ Physician Name _____

Patient Signature _____ Physician Signature _____

Date _____



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