



Medicare

Patient name: _____

Patient number: _____

Hospital name: _____

Hospital address: _____

Medicare Outpatient Observation Notice

Important! You're getting this notice because your hospital status is "hospital outpatient receiving observation services," not "hospital inpatient."

This means your hospital stay will be billed to Medicare Part B instead of Part A.

- When you're a hospital outpatient, your observation stay is covered under Medicare Part B. This means you'll have a copayment/coinsurance for each outpatient hospital service you get.
- Your Part B copayments/coinsurance may be lower or higher than the Part A inpatient deductible. Your hospital can give you more information about billing.
- After you leave the hospital, Medicare may not pay if you go to a skilled nursing facility.

You aren't an inpatient because:

Questions?

For more information about your Medicare coverage, call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227). TTY users can call 1-877-486-2048.

Additional Information (Optional):

Sign below to show you received and understood this notice.

Signature of patient or representative	Date
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