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**WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT
MEDICARE ADVANTAGE PLANS AND
CLINICAL TRIALS**

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Currently, Medicare Advantage Plans do not pay for care that is delivered to patients on certain clinical trials that qualify for traditional Medicare coverage. The treatment is still covered, but it is paid by Medicare directly, not through the Advantage Plan.

You will be affected by this when you enroll on this clinical trial. It will mean that the charges for your treatment will go to Medicare instead of your Advantage Plan. **This could cause you to have larger out-of-pocket expenses than you would otherwise have and you need to consider this when you are making your decision to participate.**

Medicare Advantage Plans typically have co-pay that is associated with services and IV drugs. This may be a \$20 standard charge or a similar amount. Medicare is different. Medicare requires that you pay a percentage (typically 20% but it could be more) of the amount that Medicare allows for that same service or drug. **These out-of-pocket costs will likely be more than you would have paid on your Advantage Plan.**

It will be impossible to give you an exact amount for out-of-pocket expenses over the course of the entire study, just as it is impossible to know exactly how much expense you would have with your Advantage Plan.

Any services that are not part of the clinical trial will continue to be billed to your Advantage Plan. Consequently, you will continue to pay your usual co-pay for care that is unrelated to the study.

I understand that claims for services related to this clinical trial will be billed through Medicare fee-for-service and there may be additional out-of-pocket expenses.

Name

Date

If you have any questions, please speak with your study coordinator or call

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