

## Notice to Medicare Beneficiaries

Little Falls Orthopedics is a provider-based clinic. The provider-based designation is allowed under Medicare rules, and allows the clinic to function as a department of the hospital versus a stand-alone clinic. In the case of Little Falls Orthopedics, this is an off-campus provider-based clinic, which requires us to provide notice to you about certain billing nuances.

### Your Bill for Medical Services

Medicare patients that receive services at Little Falls Orthopedics will receive two charges: one for the provider services (professional fee) and one for the costs of operating the clinic (facility fee). The sum of these two charges will be the same as the single charge for the same service that is billed to non-Medicare patients. However, depending on your particular insurance coverage, you may pay more for certain outpatient services by visiting a provider-based clinic versus a standalone clinic.

Due to the billing of a professional and facility fee, you will receive two Medicare Explanation of Benefit statements: one from Medicare Part B (professional fee) and one from Medicare Part A (facility fee). Each Explanation of Benefits will reflect any deductible and/or coinsurance amount due for the visit. If you have supplemental or secondary insurance coverage, please contact them with coverage questions or review your policy documents on what out-of-pocket amounts you may have to pay.

### We are required to inform you that:

\_\_\_\_\_ Based on the average visit, it is estimated the gross charges for your visit are listed below. However, your liability will depend upon the actual services furnished by the hospital/provider-based clinic. In addition, the amount you would owe depends on the amount Medicare and/or any other insurance pays.

Professional Fees \_\_\_\_\_

Facility Fees: \_\_\_\_\_

At this time, we are not able to provide you with an estimate because the exact type and extent of your care is not known. However, as stated above, you will incur additional coinsurance liability that you would not incur if the clinic was not a provider-based clinic.

Depending on your health insurance, this hospital-based clinic may charge a separate facility fee, which might result in higher out-of-pocket expense.

If you have questions about this notice, please contact Tracy VanHercke, Little Falls Orthopedics Administrator at (320) 631-2210 for additional information.

Thank you for choosing Little Falls Orthopedics.