

NOTICE OF ELECTION OF HOSPICE BENEFIT

I (*patient name*), _____ **DOB:** _____

choose to elect the Medicare, Commercial, Self pay hospice benefit from Center for Hospice Care.

I understand the purpose of hospice care and that the treatment is primarily palliative rather than curative. I understand that the goal of hospice care is not to cure my terminal illness, but to maintain my quality of life through palliative and supportive care and management of symptoms. Medicare patients: Certain Medicare services are waived when the Medicare Hospice benefit is elected and this has been fully explained to me.

Initial:

_____ I understand that I and/or my caregiver will participate in developing the plan of care along with the hospice team composed of a physician, nurse, medical social worker, spiritual counselor, volunteer and other disciplines that may be necessary.

_____ I understand that I can revoke this benefit at any time and resume regular **Medicare** coverage. I know I will lose any hospice days remaining in the benefit period in which I revoke.

_____ I understand that I may transfer my **Medicare** hospice care to another hospice program once during each election period.

Initial:

_____ I understand I have the right to choose an attending physician, who may be a physician or nurse practitioner. I understand I am not required to have an attending to elect my benefit and Center for Hospice Care Medical Directors/Nurse Practitioners (NP) will serve as my attending. I also understand in the event my elected physician is unable or chooses not to attend, Center for Hospice Care Medical Directors/Nurse Practitioners can serve as my attending or I can choose another physician. I understand I have the right to change my attending at any time by completing a form provided by Center for Hospice Care.

I do not have a physician

I do have an Attending Physician/Nurse Practitioner (*print full name*): _____

I do not choose my physician

If my attending physician is unavailable, I choose the CHC Medical Director/NP (*print full name*): _____

Address: 111 Sunnybrook Court, South Bend IN 46637-3437

Beneficiary or Representative Signature _____
Date

Relationship of Legal Representative to Beneficiary

Agency Representative Signature _____
Date

CHC Use Only

Benefit Period: First 90 Second 90 Unlimited 60

Attending NPI: _____ Address: _____

CHC MD/ DO/NP NPI# _____

Effective Date of Hospice Election: _____ **ICD-10:** _____