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If, at a later time your physician determines that you should be admitted to the hospital as an inpatient, we will notify you of this change from outpatient to inpatient status.

## For Our Medicare Patients ONLY:

We want you to understand the following Medicare guidelines as it pertains to your observation status:

- 1. You will be responsible for the Medicare Part B deductible (if applicable) and the 20% coinsurance payment, and;
- 2. If you require skilled nursing facility services when you leave the hospital, your outpatient stay does not satisfy the 3-day qualifying hospital stay requirement, which must be met for Medicare coverage of skilled nursing facility services. Therefore Medicare Part A will not pay for the services you receive in the skilled nursing facility.

Please verify receipt of this notice by signing below.

Sincerely,

Littleton Regional Hospital

This acknowledges that I have read and understand this notice regarding outpatient status.

Signature o	f Beneficiary or	person acti	ng on
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Witness

Date

LITTLETON REGIONAL HOSPITAL

LITTLETON, NH 03561

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