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**Medicare Capitation Waiver**

**Note: You need to make an informed decision about receiving health care supplies and services.**

Medicare will pay \$1,980.00 maximum benefit for physical and/or speech therapy treatments for the 2017 calendar year. This figure is based upon the amount *PAID* by Medicare not the amount billed.

As of January 1, 2017, Medicare will not pay for \*supplies or services that exceed the \$1,980.00 cap imposed by Congress on physical therapy providers. The fact that Medicare will not pay for extended charges does not mean you should not receive prescribed physical or speech therapy treatment. There are valid reasons why you should continue receiving treatment as prescribed by your doctor.

If you decide to continue receiving treatment following the benefit maximum imposed by Medicare, you agree to pay out of pocket for any physical therapy treatment or supplies you receive at this facility. You further agree to retain all Medicare Explanation of Benefit notices reflecting payments, adjustments and denials by Medicare. Your retention of this information will help prevent any misinterpretation of Medicare payments, adjustments and/or amounts assigned to Patient Responsibility, and to aid in calculating of benefits paid. Secondary insurance may or may not cover charges, which exceed the Medicare cap. Blaser Physical Therapy will be glad to file with your secondary if coverage applies.

Again, the purpose of this waiver of benefits is to help you make an informed decision about continuing treatment beyond the current \$1,980.00 maximum benefit paid by Medicare. If Congress passes new legislation that increases the maximum benefit amount and includes retroactive benefits, BPT will file insurance claims on your behalf.

I \_\_\_\_\_, have read and understand that Medicare will pay a maximum of \$1,980.00 per calendar year in physical and speech therapy benefits. Therefore, should I elect to receive treatment beyond this benefit amount, I will be completely responsible for payment of charges that Medicare assigns to Patient Responsibility due to non-coverage or benefit maximum having been reached.

**\*BPT is not a participating DME provider; therefore Medicare does not cover supplies purchased at BPT.**

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Signature

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Date