



A. Notifier(s):

B. Patient Name:

C. Identification

Number:

ADVANCE BENEFICIARY NOTICE OF NONCOVERAGE (ABN)

NOTE: If Medicare doesn't pay for **D. Laser Cataract Surgery** below, you may have to pay.

Medicare does not pay for everything, even some care that you or your health care provider have good reason to think you need. We expect Medicare may not pay for the **D.** _____ below.

D. <u>Laser cataract surgery</u>	E.) Reason Medicare May Not Pay:	F. Estimated Cost:
Femtosecond laser (Catalys or Lensx) for the treatment of astigmatism during cataract surgery	Medicare will only pay for standard cataract surgery including the required examinations, testing, follow-up care and a conventional IOL. On May 3, 2005 Medicare established CMS ruling 05-01-R concerning astigmatic correction with IOLs that declared the physician and facility services related strictly to the astigmatism correction are not covered by Medicare and thus are the patient's financial responsibility.	

WHAT YOU NEED TO DO NOW:

- Read this notice, so you can make an informed decision about your care.
- Ask us any questions that you may have after you finish reading.
- Choose an option below about whether to receive the **D. Laser Cataract Surgery** listed above.

Note: If you choose Option 1 or 2, we may help you to use any other insurance that you might have, but Medicare cannot require us to do this.

(G) OPTIONS: Check only one box. We cannot choose a box for you.
<input type="checkbox"/> OPTION 1. I want the D. _____ listed above. You may ask to be paid now, but I also want Medicare billed for an official decision on payment, which is sent to me on a Medicare Summary Notice (MSN). I understand that if Medicare doesn't pay, I am responsible for payment, but I can appeal to Medicare by following the directions on the MSN. If Medicare does pay, you will refund any payments I made to you, less co-pays or deductibles.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OPTION 2. I want the D. Laser Cataract Surgery listed above, but do not bill Medicare. You may ask to be paid now as I am responsible for payment. I cannot appeal if Medicare is not billed.
<input type="checkbox"/> OPTION 3. I don't want the D. _____ listed above. I understand with this choice I am not responsible for payment, and I cannot appeal to see if Medicare would pay.

H. Additional Information:

This notice gives our opinion, not an official Medicare decision. If you have other questions on this notice or Medicare billing, call **1-800-MEDICARE** (1-800-633-4227/TTY: 1-877-486-2048). Signing below means that you have received and understand this notice. You also receive a copy.

I. Signature:	J. Date:
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