

## **IMPORTANT MEDICARE INFORMATION**

### **Medicare Shared Savings Program (MSSP) Notification**

Lincoln Internal Medicine Associates (LIMA) is providing this notice to our Medicare patients as required by Medicare regulations. This notice is for informational purposes only.

#### **What does this mean?**

LIMA physicians participate in the Medicare Shared Savings Program (MSSP). This program is designed to improve care quality, encourage coordination among providers, and reduce unnecessary healthcare costs. Participation does not change your Medicare benefits or coverage.

#### **Why am I receiving this notice?**

Medicare requires providers participating in the MSSP to notify Medicare beneficiaries of their participation. This notification requirement is new, even though LIMA has participated in this program for several years.

#### **Does being part of an ACO change my care or provider choice?**

No. An Accountable Care Organization (ACO) does not limit your choice of providers, does not change your Medicare benefits, and does not require you to see specific physicians. You may continue to see your LIMA provider and any Medicare-approved provider of your choice.

#### **Do I need to choose or confirm my physician?**

No action is required. Medicare uses claims information to understand which provider delivers your primary care. Only the Medicare beneficiary can select or confirm a primary care physician with Medicare. LIMA cannot designate, change, or confirm your primary care physician on your behalf.

#### **If you wish to confirm your primary care physician:**

- Call 1-800-MEDICARE
- Contact your Medicare Advantage plan directly
- Follow the instructions included in the Medicare mailing you received

#### **Questions?**

If you have questions about this notice or need help understanding the information you received from Medicare, please contact Lincoln Internal Medicine Associates at [info@limadocs.com](mailto:info@limadocs.com) or call the clinic. LIMA cannot access or modify Medicare records on your behalf.