

OPTIMISTIC

TRANSFORMING CARE

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Dear Resident:

Our facility is committed to providing you with the highest level of care possible. We have partnered with Indiana University and the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) in a new initiative – Phase 2 of OPTIMISTIC. The purpose of this initiative is to implement new approaches to care and payment to support the best care for all residents. Through the initiative, OPTIMISTIC RNs and Nurse Practitioners are available to support the facility staff and providers in providing enhanced clinical care.

Residents are considered eligible for OPTIMISTIC if they have been in the facility for 100 days or longer and do not have Medicare managed care. For participating residents in this initiative, providers and the facility have the opportunity for increased resources to care for you in place when you are ill. There are no additional costs and your coverage and benefits do not change. This initiative requires data sharing regarding billing and clinical services. This information will be kept private, in accordance with Federal and State privacy laws.

If you choose not to participate in the initiative, including receiving enhanced clinical services, or allow your data to be shared with Indiana University and CMS, please return this completed form to the facility admissions office. You may choose to participate or decline participation at any time.

I do not wish to allow data sharing or receive enhanced clinical services through OPTIMISTIC

Date

Printed Patient Name

Signature of Patient or Authorized Representative

If you are a resident or family member and have questions about participation, please contact Laura Holtz -317-274-9114 or holtzl@iupui.edu.

If you are a facility staff member and you have been notified of an individual wishing to not participate, please follow the opt-out protocol and submit this form to Erin O'Kelly Phillips at ekokelly@iupui.edu.

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