

Parkway Plan Physician Retainer Agreement

Account # _____

Start Date _____

Transaction # _____

- I. This is an agreement between the patient and his/her family physician.
- II. This Physician Retainer Agreement:
 - Provides the patient medical services noted in this agreement, including preventive examination for a preset fee.
 - The fee is \$ _____ as set forth below under the terms and conditions of this agreement.
- III. The physician, subject to the terms expressed in this agreement:
 - Agrees to provide the patient a periodic comprehensive exam, which includes any indicated blood counts, blood chemistry testing, urinalysis, electrocardiograms, pap smears, stool guaiac testing, and office x-ray.
- IV. Subject to the terms of this agreement, the physician also:
 - Agrees to provide additional office visits and other medical services, indicated by the patient's condition, which can be routinely done at the physician's office during normal office hours.
 - Minor surgery, simple laceration repairs, and other routine procedures are provided unless, at the sole discretion of the physician, another specialty is indicated.
 - Annual flu shots are included in the plan.
 - Other immunizations and medications are NOT included in the plan.
 - HOWEVER, nearly all routine vaccines can be obtained in the physician's office at no cost to the patient under the Affordable Care Act insurance policies (regardless of deductible levels) or, for those with no coverage, the MnVFC program.
- V. This agreement:
 - Provides only for the professional medical services of our physicians and is NOT health insurance.
 - Does NOT include bills from or diagnostic tests ordered by other physicians or performed outside the physicians' office.
 - Does NOT provide payment for appliances or other durable medical equipment.
 - Does NOT provide payment of bills from hospitals, urgent care centers, emergency rooms, nursing homes, or any medical or related expenses external to the specific terms of this agreement.
 - Does NOT preclude billing for care provided in the treatment of injuries sustained in work, automobile or other injuries, or other circumstances where medical coverage is the responsibility of, or covered benefit of, an insurance carrier.
- VI. In consideration for providing the above professional medical services, the patient:
 - Agrees to follow the medical advice given by his/her physician.
 - Agrees to pay the physician \$ _____.
 - Agrees to promptly make all payments due.
 - Failure to comply with the foregoing may constitute, at the sole discretion of the physician, the basis for terminating this agreement.

VII. Additional terms:

- If the patient is in default for nonpayment forty (40) days after the due date of such payment, this agreement is automatically terminated. In such an event, the patient shall immediately owe the balance remaining under the annual retainer.
- The physician may terminate this agreement if, at his sole discretion, there is an unsatisfactory physician/patient relationship, including the patient's failure to follow medical advice. If such termination does take place, the patient shall immediately owe the dollar amount of the physician's retainer monthly payments year-to-date to the month of termination.
- If the patient changes his/her permanent residence, this agreement may, upon request of the patient, be terminated and the annual balance in full of the retainer agreement shall be due and payable.
- If the patient defaults for any reason or is terminated under this agreement, the patient may not re-enroll in the plan for one (1) year from the date of default or termination, which ever occurs first.
- If the patient dies during the term of this agreement, his/her estate will owe the balance of the physician retainer agreement.

This agreement shall be in effect for twelve (12) consecutive months from the date it begins and may not be modified except in writing signed by the authorized physician and patient.

If there is a dispute about the terms of this agreement or its performance:

- The parties to this agreement will submit such dispute to arbitration according to the prevailing rules of the American Arbitration Association as its sole, exclusive remedy as to such dispute other than the payment of any sums of monies due from the patient to the physician.
- Such determination by arbitration shall be binding on the parties with the expense of arbitration borne by the non-prevailing party.

This the _____ day of _____, 20____

Patient _____

Physician _____