

**Stellhorn Chiropractic
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As of October 1, 2015 changes were made behind the scenes at your healthcare provider's office. The changes involve something called ICD-10 coding. These codes are a system for categorizing medical conditions in the healthcare system. ICD stands for International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems are the core tool used to track healthcare. The number of difference codes has increased from 13,000 to nearly 70,000 - an overwhelming amount. The implementation of these new codes is to assist the healthcare providers who file insurance payment claims electronically.

Stellhorn Chiropractic does not bill insurance companies for direct payment to us nor do we file insurance claims for patient reimbursement. We will continue to keep our fees at an affordable level for our patients – which are at or below what a co-pay fee would be at an office where higher “insurance fees” are charged. We will provide an insurance statement with the new chiropractic diagnostic codes for patients who submit their own claims. *However, with the new procedures going into effect, there is no guarantee insurance companies will allow patients to file on their own. **Claims may also be denied.***

These new regulations required us to ensure our patients clearly understand our policy regarding insurance. After reading this form, please sign and date at the bottom of the page affirming your understanding. If you need further clarification, please feel free to ask. This form must be signed and dated by all patients and kept on file.

- This office **does not** submit claims electronically for insurance reimbursement.
- We are a non-Medicare provider and **do not** file or provide a statement for Medicare claims.
- This office does not accept Medicaid patients.
- Claims submitted by patients may or **may not** be reimbursed to you by your insurance company.
- Claims will not be filed by this office on behalf of any patient.
- We will no longer be able to prepare statements at the end of the year with insurance codes.
- It is the responsibility of the patient to maintain all of their own insurance receipts.

Patient Signature

Patient Printed Name

Date _____