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Pursuant to [Assembly Bill \(AB\) 1278](#), physicians will soon be required to provide a notice to their patients regarding the [Open Payments database](#) (Database), which is managed by the U.S. Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, or CMS.

Specifically, this new law requires physicians to do the following beginning **January 1, 2023**:

At the initial office visit with their patient, a physician must provide either a written or electronic notice of the Database that includes the following text:

“The Open Payments database is a federal tool used to search payments made by drug and device companies to physicians and teaching hospitals. It can be found at <https://openpaymentsdata.cms.gov>.”

If the physician uses an electronic records system, they must include a record of this notice in the patient’s records.

If the physician uses a paper-based records system, then the written notice to the patient must include a signature from the patient (or their representative) and a date of signature. Further, a copy of the written notice must be provided to the patient (or their representative) and included in the patient's records.

**This means that if Mr. Roham or Dr. Kosins receives compensation from a pharmaceutical company or medical device company you can find out what they receive and from whom.**

**NEITHER OF US RECEIVE ANY FINANCIAL PAYMENTS OR OTHER PAYMENTS OF VALUE WORTH OVER \$10, OTHER THAN AN OCCASIONAL LUNCH WITH A PHARMACEUTICAL REPRESENTATIVE.**

**YOU NEED TO SIGN THAT YOU RECEIVED THIS AS A NEW PATIENT AND RETURN IT TO US.**

I imagine that it is designed to make sure that patients understand that a clinician is receiving compensation, that might influence decision making when prescribing medications or medical devices.

**Please Sign:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_