Your Desired Professional Status with Medicare	Enroll in Medicare	Opt Out of Medicare
<ul> <li>You want to prescribe Part D drugs.</li> <li>You want to be a Medicare Advantage (Part C) provider</li> <li>You want to furnish services that would NOT be covered by traditional Medicare fee-for- service (Part B) even if you were enrolled in Medicare with billing privileges.*</li> </ul>	Please enroll using the CMS 8550 (order, certify, and/or prescribe).	You may NOT opt out if you want to be a Medicare Advantage (Part C) provider.
<ul> <li>You want to prescribe Part D drugs.</li> <li>You do NOT want to be a Medicare Advantage (Part C) provider.</li> <li>You want to furnish services that would NOT be covered by traditional Medicare fee-forservice (Part B) even if you were enrolled in Medicare with billing privileges.**</li> </ul>	Please enroll using the CMS 855O (order, certify, and/or prescribe), or,	You may opt out and still prescribe Part D drugs. However, you can only terminate your opt out early if you are opting out for the very first time and you terminate your opt out no later than 90 days after the effective date of your first opt out period. Opt out periods last for two years and automatically renew unless you cancel your opt-out in writing no later than 30 days before the end of the current 2-year opt-out period. CMS recommends you enroll using the CMS 8550 (order, certify, and/or prescribe). Also, you should double check that you are not indirectly contracted with a Medicare Advantage (Part C) plan, for example, as some dentists are.
<ul> <li>You do NOT want to prescribe Part D drugs.</li> <li>You want to be a Medicare Advantage (Part C) provider.</li> <li>You want to furnish services that would NOT be covered by traditional Medicare fee-for- service (Part B) even if you were enrolled in Medicare with billing privileges.**</li> </ul>	Medicare Advantage plans may require providers to enroll, for ex., if the plans determine there's <b>any</b> <b>chance</b> you will prescribe a Part D drug. Please check with the plan(s) with which you contract. If they require you to enroll, please enroll using the CMS 855O (order, certify, and/or prescribe).	You may NOT opt out if you want to be a Medicare Advantage (Part C) provider.

<ul> <li>You do NOT want to prescribe Part D drugs.</li> <li>You do NOT want to be a Medicare Advantage (Part C) provider.</li> <li>You want to furnish services that would NOT be covered by traditional Medicare fee-for- service (Part B) even if you were enrolled in Medicare with billing privileges.**</li> </ul>	You do not need to enroll.	You do not need to opt out.
<ul> <li>You want to furnish services covered by traditional Medicare fee-for- service (Part B). **</li> <li>You may or may not want to prescribe Part D drugs.</li> <li>You may or may not want to be a Medicare Advantage (Part C) provider.</li> </ul>	Please enroll using the CMS 855I form. You will be able to order, certify, and prescribe Part D drugs. You will also be able to contract with Medicare Advantage (Part C) plan(s), provided you meet the plan's requirements.	You may NOT opt out if you want to be a Medicare Advantage (Part C) provider or furnish services covered by traditional Medicare fee-for- service (Part B).**

\*\*This chart may be used by most physicians and practitioners when making enrollment and opt out decisions; however, there are exceptions that may apply. If you need clarification, please contact your MAC.