

**In order for Atos Medical (Atos) to continue to fill your physician's order for an indwelling voice prosthesis, such as the Provox® 2, Provox® Vega™ or Provox® ActiValve® and to be compliant with the Medicare program, this document must be reviewed, signed, witnessed and returned via fax to 844.389.4918 or mailed to Atos Medical Inc, 2801 South Moorland Road, New Berlin, WI 53151.**

As of October 1, 2010, durable medical equipment (DME) providers like Atos are no longer allowed to submit Medicare claims for indwelling voice prostheses; only your healthcare provider (HCP) is allowed to submit a claim. Since the reimbursement rate is only a fraction of the cost of the prosthesis and your HCP is not allowed to charge their patients above the Medicare rate for these devices, your HCP may not be able to offer this prosthesis to their patients. It may be necessary for you to purchase it directly from Atos. Since Atos can no longer file a claim to Medicare for your indwelling voice prosthesis, you will be required to pay in full at the time you order. This change does not affect the Provox® NiD™ (patient changeable voice prosthesis) so we will continue to file Medicare claims for this prosthesis.

**Therefore, you must understand and agree to the following for this and future orders:**

1. Provox® 2, Provox Vega™ or Provox ActiValve® indwelling voice prostheses are covered by Medicare if they are medically reasonable and necessary and purchased by and inserted by your healthcare provider. Your healthcare provider must submit the claim to Medicare, not Atos. Medicare may reimburse the provider at 80% of the Medicare fee schedule.
2. Since Durable Medical Equipment providers like Atos are not permitted by Medicare to file a claim for payment for any indwelling voice prosthesis, you are requesting that Atos does not file a claim to Medicare. You will be asked to pay in full at the time of the order.
3. You will not receive a Medicare explanation of benefits (EOB). In addition, without a Medicare explanation of benefits (EOB), Atos will not be able to file a claim to your secondary or tertiary insurance company.
4. Since Atos will not be filing a claim to Medicare for any indwelling voice prosthesis you order, you do not desire a Medicare benefit payment determination (claim filed), and therefore you understand that you are not able to appeal for payment.

**If you have any questions regarding the above, please contact Atos Medical at 800.217.0025.**

<b>Patient Name</b>		
<b>Patient Signature</b>	<b>Date</b>	
<b>Address</b>		
<b>City</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Zip</b>

<b>Witness Name</b>	
<b>Witness Signature</b>	<b>Date</b>