



Visalia *Women's*
Specialty Medical Group, Inc.

Notice to New Patients Regarding the Open Payments Database

Pursuant to [Assembly Bill \(AB\) 1278](#), physicians are 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.

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>.

Financial Responsibility:

You are financially responsible for your medical bills associated with Visalia Women's Specialty Medical Group, Inc. after your insurance has paid its portion. You may be turned over to a collection agency if you do not pay your bills timely.

A holder of this medical debt contract is prohibited by Section 1785.27 of the Civil Code from furnishing any information related to this debt to a consumer credit reporting agency. In addition to any other penalties allowed by law, if a person knowingly violates that section by furnishing information regarding this debt to a consumer credit reporting agency, the debt shall be void and unenforceable.

I certify that Visalia Women's Specialty Medical Group has provided the required Open Payment Database and Financial Responsibility notice as required by law.

Patient Signature _____

Date: _____