

ARKA does not write notes. ARKA offers your clinician a structured way to record a decision they already made, in their own words, under their own attestation - and ARKA never sees, counts, reports or is paid for what that does to a billing code. That last clause is in your contract, it is enforced by a check in our build, and it is published on our never-do list.

WHAT THE NOTE IS

The considered-and-deferred note is a record of a clinical decision: alternatives the clinician considered and the alternative they selected, written into the patient chart under attestation.
Check: CHECK-ATT-1 / CHECK-ATT-2 / CHECK-ATT-3

WHO AUTHORS IT

The physician authors it. ARKA may compose a draft from clinician selections; ARKA never invents clinical assertions and never writes into the chart without attestation.
Check: CHECK-ATT-1 / CHECK-ATT-2 / CHECK-ATT-3

WHAT ARKA NEVER SEES, COUNTS, OR IS PAID FOR

ARKA never sees, counts, reports, or is paid for what the considered-and-deferred note does to a billing code.
Never-do: no-billing-language-in-clinical-writeback Check: docs/coding-firewall.json (disjoint: true)

FIVE RULES

Rule 1. The physician authors it; ARKA never does
Nothing enters the patient record from the considered-and-deferred path that the clinician did not select or type and then explicitly attest. ARKA may compose a draft from clinician inputs; ARKA may not invent clinical assertions.
Check: CHECK-ATT-1 / CHECK-ATT-2 / CHECK-ATT-3
Clause 10.1: ARKA does not write notes. ARKA offers the clinician a structured way to record a decision they already made, in their own words, under their own attestation.

Rule 2. No coding vocabulary anywhere near it
No ARKA surface, artefact, metric, export, contract clause, or marketing may reference evaluation-and-management coding, billing level, code selection, or reimbursement in connection with the considered-and-deferred note - and the build fails if one does.
Check: CHECK-CF-1
Never-do: no-billing-language-in-clinical-writeback
Clause 10.2: No ARKA surface, artefact, metric, export, contract clause, or marketing may reference evaluation-and-management coding, billing level, code selection, or reimbursement in connection with the considered-and-deferred note.

Rule 3. ARKA never counts it as a billing outcome
ARKA never sees, counts, reports, or is paid for what the considered-and-deferred note does to a billing code. Clinical-note fields and billing-relevant fields are a computed set-difference.
Check: docs/coding-firewall.json (disjoint: true)
Never-do: no-billing-language-in-clinical-writeback
Clause 10.3: ARKA never sees, counts, reports, or is paid for what the considered-and-deferred note does to a billing code.

Rule 4. The write-back is firewalled from the attribution path
Whether a considered-and-deferred note was written may not enter the attribution ledger, the peer-comparison packet, the contribution export, or any incentive computation. The write-back module graph is unreachable from attribution, ledger and incentive, and the build proves it.
Check: CHECK-CF-2 / CHECK-CF-3 / CHECK-CF-4 / CHECK-CF-5
Never-do: no-writeback-in-attribution-or-incentive-path
Clause 10.4: Whether a considered-and-deferred note was written may not enter the attribution ledger, the peer-comparison packet, or the contribution export.

Rule 5. Off by default; site-enabled in writing
The note write-back ships disabled. A site turns it on only through a recorded configuration decision naming the physician leader who approved it. Environment alone cannot enable.
Check: CHECK-WB-3
Clause 10.5: The considered-and-deferred write-back remains disabled until Customer's designated physician leader records written enablement for that site.

ENABLEMENT RECORD

Log: docs/governance/WRITEBACK_ENABLEMENT_LOG.md CHECK-WB-3 Clause 10.5
The write-back remains disabled until a named physician leader records written enablement for that site.
demo-tenant Demo Physician Leader, MD (Chief Medical Information Officer (demo)) 2026-08-01
settings=ambulatory studies=lumbar-mri Clause 10.5 demo