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Help protect access to care for seniors!

Call your Senators today at (888) 434-6200

Physicians need your help today to preserve access to care for seniors covered through Medicare. Three times this year physicians who treat Medicare patients were faced with a 21percent cut in reimbursement for the care they provide to seniors. Congress delayed that cut, but **it is scheduled to take effect again on December 1** unless Congress acts to permanently stop it.

Patients will ultimately pay the price for Congress’s inability to stabilize Medicare payments to physicians. Doctors, and even other health care professionals who provide services to seniors, may be forced to decrease access to care, reduce staff, or even close their practices. Congress needs to fix this problem once and for all so seniors can be assured of continued access to care and choice of physician.

Today, approximately one out of four Medicare patients looking for a new physician has trouble finding one. In addition, nearly 90 % of people age 50 and older say they are concerned that the current Medicare physician payment formula threatens their access to care. The time for Congress to act is now. Tell your U.S. Representative and Senators it’s time to permanently fix the physician access problem and honor their promise to provide quality health care to seniors for life.

Please join podiatrists and other physicians in this fight for fair reimbursement in Medicare. Call toll-free at (888) 434-6200 and urge your Senator Brown and Senator Voinovich to permanently fix the Medicare physician reimbursement problem and protect your access to care.

CALL TODAY!

If you have access to a computer, sign up and take action on the Patient Advocacy Network by sending an email to your lawmakers at <http://www.patientsactionnetwork.com/medicare-reform>

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