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Effort to Stop Medicare Cuts Permanently

Make sure you're part of a nationwide effort March 5 to literally **flood** the phone lines of Congress. On this <u>National Action Day for SGR Repeal</u>, the American Medical Association is rallying physicians and others in the health care as well as patients and their families who depend on Medicare to voice their support of legislation that will permanently repeal the SGR and establish new payment systems that will support high-quality patient care.

Mark your calendar for March 5, and use the AMA's toll-free grassroots hotline at 1 (800) 833-6354 to call on your U.S. representative and senators to repeal the SGR and co-sponsor H.R. 4015/S. 2000.



We are closer than ever before to reaching our long-sought goal of eliminating the constant threat

of dramatic Medicare payment cuts that could be devastating to physicians' practices. Legislation now before Congress -- H.R. 4015 in the U.S. House of Representatives and S. 2000 in the U.S. Senate -- will repeal Medicare's sustainable growth rate (SGR) formula, which is directly responsible for these potential cuts year after year. But Congress has very few days to get this critical legislation up for a vote, pass it and send it to the president to sign: If Congress fails to act by March 31, these cuts will go into effect. That's why we are issuing this urgent call to action and asking for your help in this effort to fix the Medicare program and end the ongoing threat of draconian physician payment cuts that the SGR keeps in place.

Take a couple minutes to make a difference for this important effort:

- Jot down a reminder to participate Wednesday, March 5. Use the AMA toll-free grassroots hotline at 1 (800) 833-6354, which will connect you to the offices of your U.S. representative and U.S. senators.
- Ask your members of Congress to add their names as co-sponsors of H.R. 4015/S. 2000 if they have not already.
- 3. Forward this email to at least 5 family members and friends who are just as concerned about the future of Medicare as you are, and urge them to participate Wednesday as well.

I hope you will stand with your colleagues as well as your patients in supporting this critical effort. Please <u>click here</u> to view a special video message from AMA President Ardis D. Hoven, MD.

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For more information, please visit:





http://www.ama-assn.org/go/grassroots http://www.ampaconline.org

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