Dear Dr. Megibow,

The legislative effort to repeal and replace the flawed Sustainable Growth Rate (SGR) formula has reached a critical juncture. Congress has introduced historic bipartisan, bicameral legislation, specifically H.R. 4015/S. 2000, the SGR Repeal and Medicare Provider Payment Modernization Act of 2014, to eliminate this antiquated formula which annually threatens all physicians with draconian cuts in Medicare reimbursement. Passage of this legislation represents a rare opportunity for physicians to change this policy.

In addition to repealing the SGR, H.R. 4015/S.2000 includes important provisions that will:

1. Provide a .5% annual increase to all physicians through 2018
2. Mandate the consultation by ordering physicians of appropriate use criteria developed by national medical specialty societies
3. Require CMS to disclose data related to its imposition of a 2012 25% multiple procedure payment reduction (MPPR) to the professional component of imaging services.

It goes without saying how crucial this legislation is to patients and physicians but we need your support and your voice in order to keep the legislative process moving forward. Therefore, we ask that you send letters in support of the legislation. You can send a letter to your Member of Congress by using the link below:

Take Action

Sincerely,

Paul H. Ellenbogen, M.D.