

From the College of American Pathologists

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Your Immediate Action Needed

Meet With Your Member Of Congress To Fight Against Pathology Cuts

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) recently proposed cuts to the technical component (TC) and global payments for many anatomic pathology services that must be halted.

The CAP has organized a grassroots campaign to fight back. We're asking you to contact your Member of Congress to set up a meeting with your Representative in the district office between now and September 6, when Congress returns from its August recess.

Members of Congress need to hear from you about the devastating impact this will have on your practice, on patient access to important cancer tests, and on health care jobs.

Use the steps below to request a district meeting with your Member of Congress and provide feedback to CAP.

Schedule your district meeting:

- Visit the the CAP's Action Center.
- Enter your zip code to find your representative.
- Edit the email message with the name of your hospital or lab and your availability.
- Fill in your name and address under "Sender Information" and send your message.

Let us know when your meeting is scheduled:

- <u>Visit the CAP's meeting tracker</u>.
- Enter your name and address to find your representative.
- Select the legislator with whom you are meeting.
- Enter the details of your meeting.

Tell us how your meeting went:

- Visit the CAP's feedback tracker.
- Enter your name and address to find your representative.
- Select the legislator with whom you met.
- Fill out the feedback form.

You can access the CAP's issue briefs and other advocacy materials using the links below:

- Handout for your meeting with your Member of Congress
- Medicare 2014 Physician Fee Schedule Resource Center
- Proposed Cuts Impact Chart
- Details on the proposed Medicare physician fee schedule

Want to keep getting email updates and stay informed? <u>Join PathNET</u>, the CAP's grassroots advocacy network.

Register now for an exclusive CAP webinar on proposed 2014 PFS: <u>Understanding the 2014 Proposed</u> <u>Medicare Physician Fee Schedule</u> scheduled for Wednesday, August 7, 2013 at 3:00 – 4:30 PM Eastern Time.

If you have any questions, please contact Laura Brigandi at (202) 354-7128 or Ibrigan@cap.org.

Information About This Service

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