



CONGRESS: Fight Cancer – Not Cancer Care

With cancer-fighting drugs in Congress' scope for a massive \$3 billion Medicare cut, lawmakers are threatening the life-saving treatment of vulnerable cancer patients and the jobs of their caregivers.

Over 80 percent of U.S. cancer patients depend on the quality, state-of-the-art care provided in community cancer centers. Due to funding instability, these community practices are closing at an alarming rate. A proposed reimbursement cut of this size will mean more local cancer center closings, interrupted care for patients, and job losses for medical staff – all to create relatively small savings within a national deficit reduction plan.

This is too heavy a price for our nation's cancer patients, their dedicated caregivers, and our strained local economies. When looking for savings, Congress should spare our nation's cancer patients from deep Medicare cuts and loss of cancer care in their community.

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