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Statement on 'Doc Fix'

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We support the passage of a 30 day extension of the 'doc fix' by Congress. Making sure that physicians receive adequate reimbursement for care provided is important for patients and hospitals.

This extension is a good first step, but physicians face an even greater (30 percent) cut without further Congressional action to prevent a cut after December 31. The bottom-line is that without this fix patients and communities would be impacted.

We will continue to work with Congress and physicians to find a longer-term solution, while remaining vigilant against cuts that could be harmful to other parts of the health care system.

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