

CANCER TREATMENT ISN'T OPTIONAL.

Protecting Access to Care Isn't Optional, Either.

Lawmakers are considering cutting Medicare payments for needed cancer care by \$3 billion to help reduce the federal budget deficit.

Further cuts to cancer care directly impact community oncology practices, which provide life-saving cancer care to more than 80 percent of the nation's cancer patients. Medicare cuts can result in facility closures, leading to limited patient access and job loss. Across America, hundreds of community-based cancer clinics have been forced to close their doors, making it increasingly difficult for some patients to access cancer care.*

When developing solutions for our nation's budget, Medicare funding for cancer care should be left off the table.

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*Community Oncology Alliance – Community Impact Report Updated March 2011 - www.communityoncology.org/COAStudies.aspx