

Five Florida Medicare Facts

1. Florida has three million Medicare beneficiaries, more than any other state in the country.
2. The American Medical Association has designated Florida as one of 20 “access hot spots,” where Medicare patients already have trouble finding a physician.
3. Currently, Florida has only 15 practicing physicians per 1,000 Medicare beneficiaries.
4. Repealing the Sustainable Growth Rate formula (SGR), which Medicare uses to pay physicians, would prevent a \$1.4 billion annual loss for the care of elderly and disabled patients in Florida.
5. Repealing the SGR would ensure access to physician care for 212,201 employees, 2.9 million Medicare patients and 691,487 TRICARE patients in Florida.