**Ask Lawmakers to Cosponsor the Value in Health Care Act**

**Please use the draft message below to educate lawmakers about ACO savings and ask them to support ACOs by cosponsoring the Value in Health Care Act and extending Medicare’s advanced APM incentive payments!** You can find information on your Members of Congress [online](https://www.congress.gov/members/find-your-member). Contact Robert Daley if you need additional assistance.

**Email Subject:** Help INSERT STATE Health Care Providers by Supporting the Value in Health Care Act

I’m writing today to ask you to support value-based care providers by cosponsoring the Value in Health Care Act ([H.R. 5013/ S. 3503](https://valuebasedcare.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/11/Alliance-for-VBPC_Value-in-Health-Care-Act.pdf)), which extends alternative payment model (APM) incentives that expired at the end of 2023.

Accountable Care Organizations (ACOs) in the Medicare Shared Savings Program (MSSP) produced savings for the ninth straight year, while continuing to provide high-quality care, as shown by [performance data](https://www.cms.gov/newsroom/press-releases/medicare-shared-savings-program-saves-medicare-more-18-billion-2022-and-continues-deliver-high) from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). **[Include info about your ACO’s quality & # of ACO beneficiaries]**

**While the ACO program has seen promising growth over the last decade, Congress must continue to encourage participation in ACOs and other value-based care models by extending incentive payments for risk-bearing ACOs. [Include information about how your ACO uses shared savings and incentive payments to improve patient care]**

In 2022, ACOs saved Medicare $4.3 billion and $1.8 billion after accounting for shared savings and losses. **[Include information about your ACO’s savings if applicable]** ACOs have generated more than $22 billion in gross savings for Medicare over the last decade and improved the quality of care for millions of patients. More than 700,000 physicians and other non-physicians participate in Medicare ACOs, caring for more than 13 million beneficiaries today, making it far and away the largest alternative payment model in Medicare.

**The $4.3 billion in savings generated by ACOs in 2022 far exceeds the estimated $644 million paid in incentives this year, which is a good investment for the government.** These incentives have been critical in helping clinicians cover the investment costs of moving to new payment models that improve care for their patients.

We look forward to your support.

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