YOUR VOICE MATTERS

In Reducing Payment Cuts

A $34 million Medicare payment gain for pathologists by engaging with the CMS from:

- A 12% increase to Medicare’s cytotechnologist clinical labor rate used in their payment methodology starting effective in 2024
- A 16% increase to the histotechnologists clinical labor rate effective since 2022

Pathologists can further maximize their score in MIPS with 3 new CMS-approved pathology-specific QCDR measures (for a total of 8) through the Pathologists Quality Registry.

When Mobilizing for Political Action

CAP members engaged with legislators to address the 2024 payment cuts by

Conducting 145 congressional Hill Day meetings

Making 6,224 contacts to 487 members of Congress

Making Solidifying support with a “virtual fly-in” of 60 pathologists to press their representatives and senators for action.

Congress acted by delaying a 15% cut to Clinical Laboratory Medicare payments for the fifth straight year.

In State Level Advocacy

1 state safeguarded payment from reduction or denial for services that receive a gold card waiver: Arkansas

3 states enacted health plan network adequacy requirements, including pathology/laboratory: Georgia, Tennessee, Texas

1 state implemented a deferral to the federal No Surprises Act arbitration system until July 2024: Washington