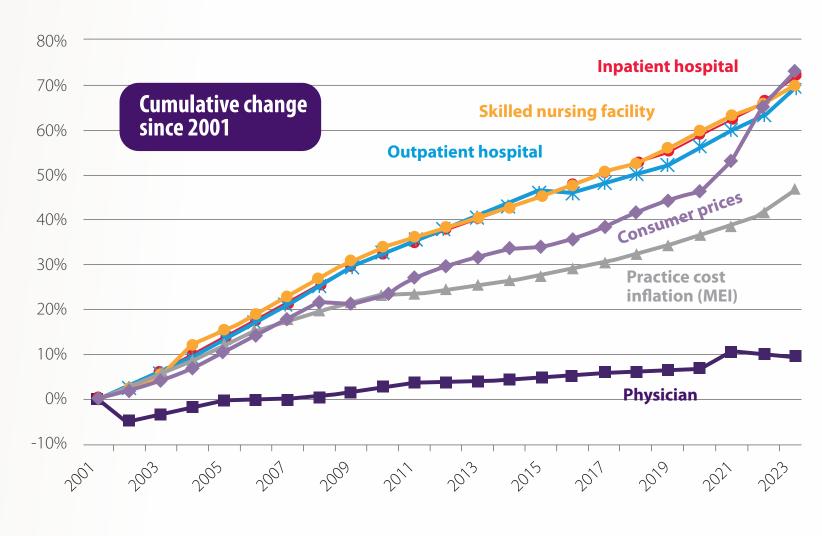
Medicare physician payment is NOT keeping up with inflation.

Medicare updates compared to inflation (2001–2023)

Adjusted for inflation in practice costs, Medicare physician pay declined 26% from 2001 to 2023.





Sources: Federal Register, Medicare Trustees' Reports, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Congressional Budget Office.

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We need to fix Medicare physician payment NOW.

Figure 1. Medicare physician payment versus inflation and other healthcare sectors.

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