

# ***WARNING: SERIOUS THREAT TO PATIENT ACCESS***

## **MEDICARE PART B “DEMONSTRATION”**

On March 8, 2016 the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) announced a proposed rule to test new payment models for prescription medications covered under Medicare Part B.

## **HOW THIS AFFECTS YOU AS A PATIENT**

- If CMS carries out this test, very few physicians will be able to continue treating Medicare patients in their office settings. That means that you and many other patients will likely be forced to get your infusions in a hospital instead of your local Infusion Center.
- This could ultimately impact private pay patients as well. With the loss of Medicare patients, many practices will not be able to afford to give infusions in the office and will have to refer all patients to the nearest hospital that carries their medications.

## **WHAT YOU CAN DO TO HELP**

- You can take a stand and voice your opposition by sending letters to Congress at: [InfusionCenter.org/FixPartB](http://InfusionCenter.org/FixPartB).
- Demand that your elected officials and members of Congress pressure CMS to withdraw this irresponsible proposal. Explain that being forced to receive your medications at the hospital is not in your best interest and it will negatively impact your medical care.

**TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE PROPOSED RULE, VISIT  
[INFUSIONCENTER.ORG/MEDICARE-PART-B](http://INFUSIONCENTER.ORG/MEDICARE-PART-B)**

