

Important Information for Medicare Patients. Protect Your Access to Same-Day Care.

Proposed Medicare Changes: Same-Day Care at Risk in 2027

Medicare has proposed a new payment policy that would penalize healthcare providers for performing medically necessary procedures (biopsies, injections, etc.) on the same day as an office visit. If implemented, this change could require patients to return for a separate appointment instead of receiving treatment during the same visit.

How This Could Affect You

Increased Costs

A second appointment could mean additional copays, coinsurance, transportation expenses, and time away from work.

Delayed Treatment

Essential procedures may be delayed until a follow-up visit can be scheduled.

Inconvenience & Hardship

Extra appointments may create challenges for patients with transportation needs, mobility limitations, caregiving responsibilities, or long travel distances.



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A Message From First State Orthopaedics

First State Orthopaedics is committed to providing timely, patient-centered care. We believe patients should continue to have access to medically appropriate same-day procedures whenever possible. This proposed rule could make it more difficult to provide the timely, convenient care our patients deserve.

Your Voice Matters

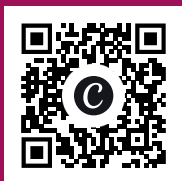
The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is accepting public comments through **September 14, 2026**. Share why preserving access to same-day care is important to you by scanning the QR code below.

Contact Your Federal Representatives

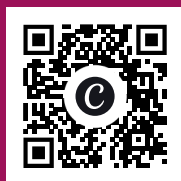
You can also encourage your elected officials to oppose this proposal by contacting your U.S. senators and representative using the QR codes below.



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