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MEDCHI APPLAUDS GOV. MOORE'S MEDICAID ANNOUNCEMENT

ANNAPOLIS – March 20, 2023 — MedChi, The Maryland State Medical Society, applauds Governor Wes Moore's announcement today that he will not be carrying through the Federal Medicare physician payment cuts to the State Medicaid program.

Gene Ransom, CEO of MedChi, cheered the decision, saying "Considering the impact on communities affected by lack of access to health care services as well as socioeconomic inequities and health disparities, the need to ensure robust Medicaid practitioner networks is inescapable. MedChi applauds this move today by Governor Moore. It shows that he is clearly working to leave no one behind."

Maryland tied the State Medicaid program to Medicare several years ago, but the State retained the authority to make adjustments. This announcement comes as the budget process concludes over the next few weeks in Annapolis.

About MedChi

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