Support the Rheumatology Workforce

Congress must act to meet the needs of patients:

Adjust the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule for inflation and eliminate across-the-board cuts.

Address the impact of education loans on the medical workforce pipeline.

Reduce administrative burdens like prior authorization and step therapy requirements that take time and resources away from patients and worsen health outcomes.

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## **Greetings!**

91 MILLION AMERICANS WITH ARTHRITIS AND

**RHEUMATIC DISEASE** need access to care, but there are only 5,600 rheumatologists to treat them. In eight states, there are no pediatric rheumatologists to see juvenile patients. By 2030, the projected demand for care will surpass available rheumatologists by over 4,700 physicians. **Congress must act to protect patient access to care by supporting and growing the rheumatology workforce!** 

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