



The Jobs that Provide Your Care ...

... Need Some Care Themselves

More than 4.7 million people work in America's hospitals ... which are often the largest employer in their communities. Sixty-two percent of most hospital budgets go for the wages and benefits of those 4.7 million caring people. Hospitals are America's 3rd largest employer.

- In California alone, more than 400,000 people are employed by hospitals.
- Iowa hospitals employ 65,000 people.
- 293,000 people work in Texas hospitals.
- 232,000 are employed in Illinois hospitals.
- Tennessee hospitals employ 100,000 people.

Now, these 4.7 million people need help — help from Congress in the new Medicare prescription drug bill. To protect the jobs of the people who provide your care, Congress must:

- Reject inpatient update cuts in the House bill;
- Restore IME funding for America's teaching hospitals;
- Include Medicaid DSH relief;
- Protect Senate language on "niche providers";
- Maintain and strengthen the provisions helping rural hospitals.

Protect the jobs that provide America's health care. The 4.7 million people of America's Hospitals are counting on you.

