

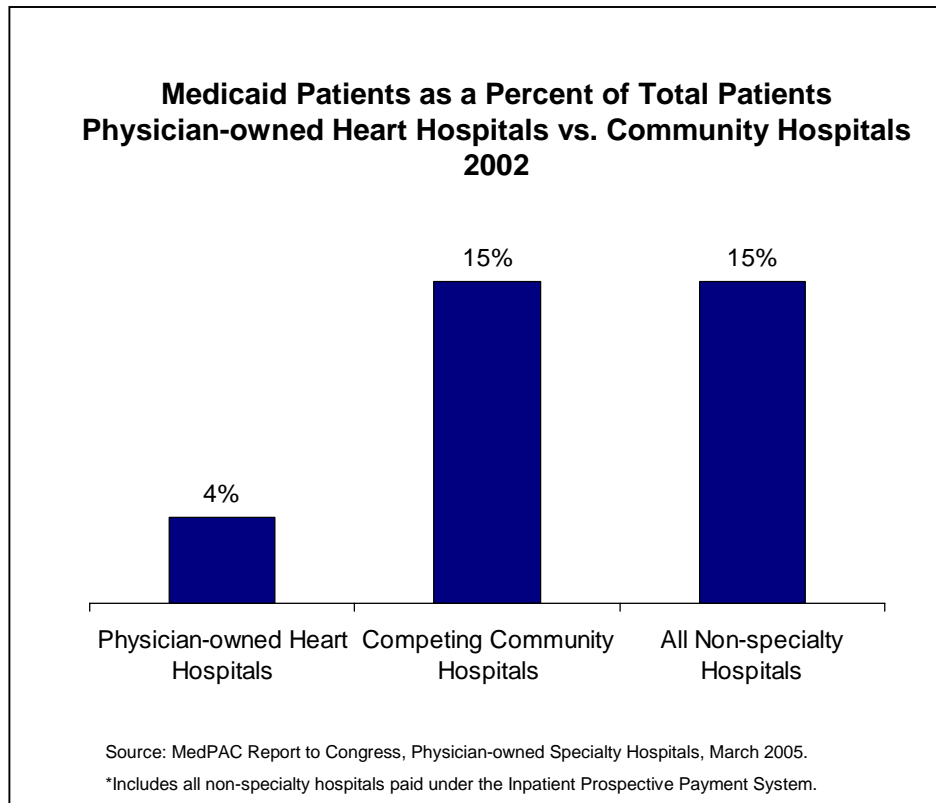


# Self-referral to limited-service hospitals: Bad for America's health care system!

## FACT Fax

### MedPAC Finding: Physician-owned heart hospitals serve fewer Medicaid patients.

MedPAC found physician-owned heart hospitals serve a lower proportion of Medicaid patients than full-service hospitals in the same geographic areas. Since Medicaid pays hospitals less than the cost of care, this puts full-service hospitals at a financial disadvantage.



## CLOSE THE LOOPHOLE:

Make permanent the ban on physician self-referral to new limited-service hospitals.

