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Medicaid Cut: Take Action

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In 2013, the NC General Assembly included a 3% “withhold” for all Medicaid services with the intention of using that money as the foundation of a shared-savings program. After difficulty developing the program, the “withhold” was redrafted as a cut the following year with an effective date of January 1, 2014. [That cut](#)¹ has not been implemented due to delays in NCTracks.

Doctors treating Medicaid patients now face a requirement to pay back 3% of everything they have been paid by Medicaid for the last 14 months. Every day that passes increases this financial and administrative burden. We know this money has already been spent on staff salaries, office overhead, and other basic requirements of serving the Medicaid population.

[Call or email your representative/senator](#)² and tell them [how much](#)³ you will have to send back to Medicaid, and what it will mean to you and your practice. Tell your legislator that you cannot afford a massive recoupment at the same time as you are being asked to transform the entire way we deliver health care to the Medicaid population.

[TAKE ACTION NOW ==>>](#)⁴ and share this alert with your colleagues.

NOTE: Primary care physicians who received enhanced Medicaid payment rates in accordance with the ACA will not be subject to the 3% reduction in 2014. However, those same PCPs will be subject to the reduced rates and a recoupment of payments made for January and February 2015 dates of service.

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Luxurious Villa Accommodations Await You at the 2015 NCOGS Annual Meeting in Kiawah Island, April 17-19

Guest accommodations for the upcoming 2015 Annual Meeting, April 17-19, at the Kiawah Island Resort include spacious one-, two-, and three-bedroom villas, each with full kitchen and screened porch. But you must call 1-800-654-2924 to reserve your room by March 17!

Jointly presented by the NC Ob/Gyn Society and NC Section of ACOG, this year's meeting schedule is packed full with 12 hours of CME content designed for practicing and academic obstetric and gynecological physicians, PAs and NPs, residents, and medical students.

Matthew Hanley, MD, MBA, chief medical officer at Carolinas Medical Center in Charlotte, will give the Presidential Address, "Quality and Safety in the Disruptive Landscape of Healthcare Reform – A Brave New World." John Jennings, MD, ACOG President, will give a presentation that is of particular interest to NC ob/gyn physicians. His presentation, "Team Based Care / Health Care Delivery Models for the Future" is particularly relevant as our health system seeks out new ways to improve care and control cost.

- View the program at:
<http://www.ncmedsoc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/02/2015-OB-Registration-Brochure.pdf>
- Register online at: www.123signup.com/event?id=ysqqd
- Call 1-800-654-2924 for room reservations.

Ob/Gyn White Coat Wednesday, April 8. Will You Be There?

Add this event to your calendar and confirm your participation by email to Denna Suko, dsuko@ncmedsoc.org.

North Carolina's Ob/Gyn physicians will convene in Raleigh on April 8, 2015, to discuss the specialty's position on the key health policy issues that legislators at the North Carolina General Assembly will vote on during this year's legislative session -- Medicaid reform, Medicaid payment cuts, funding for NC HIE, and more. Be a voice for your profession. Stand up for your future. Join us in Raleigh for this important advocacy event presented jointly by the NC Ob/Gyn Society and the North Carolina Medical Society.

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Share the attached promotional flyer with your women's health colleagues.

¹ http://www.ncdhhs.gov/dma/bulletin/pdfbulletin/0215_SPECIAL_BULLETIN_rate_reduction.pdf

² <http://www.capwiz.com/ncmedsoc/issues/alert/?alertid=64182286>

³ <http://www.ncmedsoc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/02/STOP-3%25-retro-cut.pdf>

⁴ <http://www.capwiz.com/ncmedsoc/issues/alert/?alertid=64182286>