

ACC Vision For Championing Patient Access to Care



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Address Current Challenges

- In the last 20 years, physician Medicare payments have decreased 25% while practice expenses have risen over 37%
- Shrinking clinician workforce impacts equitable access to CV care



Involve Patients in Care Decisions

- Support shared decision-making
- Reduce barriers to specialty referral, preventive screening and early treatment

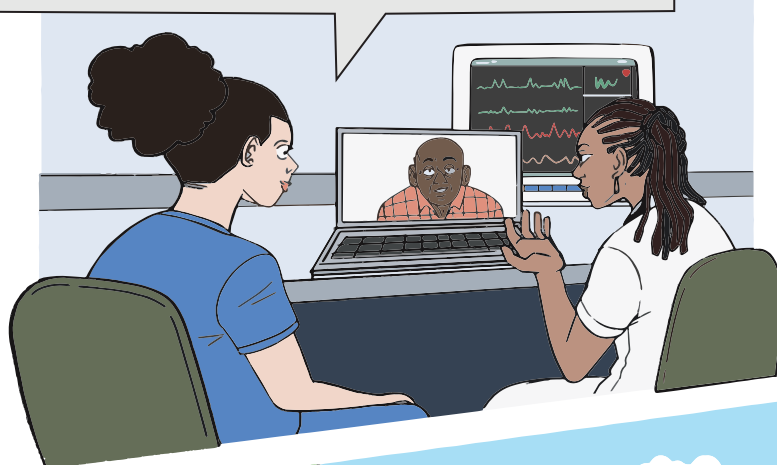


Support Clinicians in Providing Equitable Value-Based Care

- Endorse appropriate use of advanced diagnostics, new procedures and medications that can improve the quality of life
- Empower CV professionals to address health disparities and social determinants of health
- Position clinicians to take on risk associated with maintaining a CV practice
- Achieve quality measurement to improve care delivery and patient outcomes

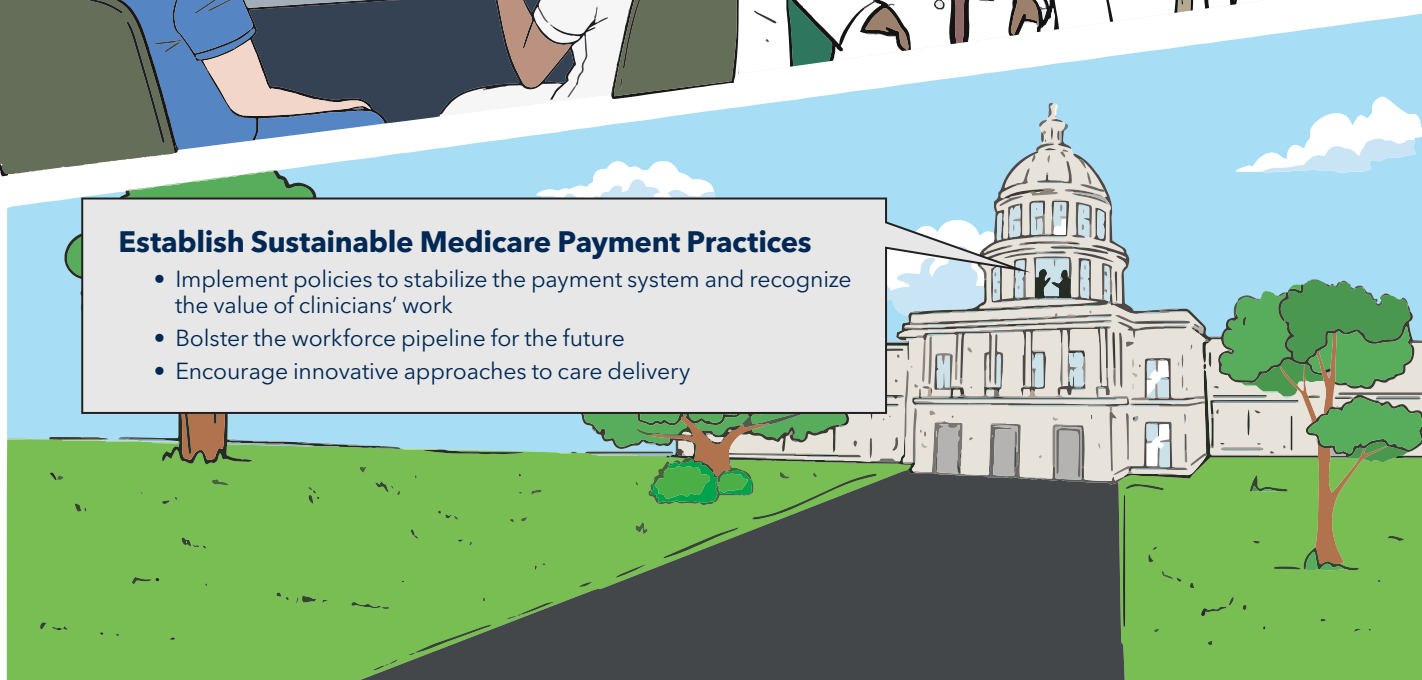
Ensure All Patients Have Access to High-Quality CV Care

- Expand telehealth availability
- Leverage strengths of the entire CV care team
- Reduce administrative burden on clinicians to provide timely care
- Provide actionable data and tools to address health disparities



Establish Sustainable Medicare Payment Practices

- Implement policies to stabilize the payment system and recognize the value of clinicians' work
- Bolster the workforce pipeline for the future
- Encourage innovative approaches to care delivery



The American College of Cardiology is leading the charge to transform care delivery. Learn more about the ACC's vision at [ACC.org/OptimizeCVCare](https://www.acc.org/OptimizeCVCare).