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**Neurosurgeons Commend Senate for Passing Historic Medicare Legislation**  
*Congress Finally Sends Medicare's Flawed Physician Payment System to the Trash Heap*

Washington, DC – The American Association of Neurological Surgeons (AANS) and Congress of Neurological Surgeons (CNS) applaud the U.S. Senate for passing the “[SGR Repeal and Medicare Provider Payment Modernization Act of 2015](#).” The bill repeals Medicare’s flawed sustainable growth rate (SGR) physician payment formula.

“Neurosurgeons appreciate the tireless efforts by Congress to once-and-for-all pass legislation that fixes the broken Medicare physician payment system,” said Dr. John A. Wilson, a neurosurgeon from Winston-Salem, NC and chairman of the AANS/CNS Washington Committee. “This historic action by Congress goes a long way to ensuring that our nation’s seniors will continue to have timely access to quality medical care.”

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*The American Association of Neurological Surgeons (AANS), founded in 1931, and the Congress of Neurological Surgeons (CNS), founded in 1951, are the two largest scientific and educational associations for neurosurgical professionals in the world. These groups represent over 8,000 neurosurgeons worldwide. Neurological surgery is the medical specialty concerned with the prevention, diagnosis, treatment and rehabilitation of disorders that affect the entire nervous system, including the spinal column, spinal cord, brain and peripheral nerves. For more information, please visit [www.aans.org](http://www.aans.org) or [www.cns.org](http://www.cns.org) or [www.neurosurgeryblog.org](http://www.neurosurgeryblog.org).*