

Table 2 What physicians plan to do if payments are cut

Physician Response to Payment Cuts	Payments cut 10% in 2008	Payments cut 40% by 2016
Defer purchase of new medical equipment	72%	84%
Defer purchase of information technology	67%	78%
Begin referring complex cases	67%	80%
Discontinue nursing home visits	58%	72%
Stop providing certain services	65%	85%
Discontinue rural outreach	57%	72%
Reduce staff	54%	77%
Close satellite office	41%	60%
Shift services to hospital	40%	55%
Reduce workload/hours	36%	68%
Stop providing patient care	14%	59%