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In Case You Missed It!
**Insured adults support site neutrality
to control health care costs, poll finds**

Insured Americans want policymakers to reduce the cost of health care and address price variations across sites of service, according to a recent Morning Consult National Tracking [Poll](#) sponsored by the **Alliance to Fight for Health Care**.

Americans overwhelmingly disapprove of payment policies where the price charged for the same health care service varies greatly depending on where the service is provided. In most instances, Medicare and private health insurers currently pay higher reimbursements in hospital settings than in physician office settings for the same service. But the poll found insured Americans overwhelmingly disapprove of these payment policies, with 72% of insured Americans saying the **price of health care services should be the same no matter where that service is received**. In addition, 89% of insured adults said it is important for regulators to address how patients are charged when receiving the same prescription (or service) through a hospital clinic rather than a doctor's office.

The policy, often referred to as site neutrality, has gained prominence in recent years as health care costs have risen. The poll indicated 53% of insured adults reported significant or somewhat increased costs over the prior year. With inflation rising higher than in the previous four decades, advancing policies to lower health care costs becomes even more urgent.

The Alliance to Fight for Health Care is working to address rising health care costs for Americans and employers by encouraging lawmakers to reduce unwarranted payment differentials across service sites, ensuring patients receive the right care in the right setting but at a lower cost. In addition, MedPAC's June 2022 [Report to the Congress](#) includes recommendations (Chapter 6: "Medicare and Health Care Delivery System") to address these price variations with site-neutral payment reforms.

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