

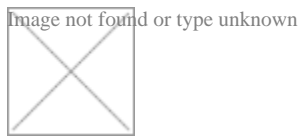


Weekly Checkup

More Cuts to Medicare Advantage

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Medicare Advantage (MA) is a popular health insurance program for seniors. MA has been successful in offering more plan choices, good benefits, and quality health care. However, despite MA's successes, the Affordable Care Act (ACA) cut the program by roughly \$200 billion over 10 years.^[1] In 2012, the administration began implementing the ACA's cuts and by 2013, MA beneficiaries began to feel the effects.^[2] As demonstrated in the chart below, federal payments to MA plans have faced unprecedented reductions, resulting in lower benefits for American seniors.^{[3],[4]}



^[1] https://www.cbo.gov/sites/default/files/hr4872_0.pdf