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Providers Still Working on SGR Fix

Providers continue to work on Capitol Hill to win reform of the formula Medicare uses to set physician payments, according to attorney **Allison Shuren** with **Arent Fox Kintner Plotkin & Kahn** in Washington, D.C. "The AMA has put together a coalition of varying providers who bill from the Part B fee schedule, and we've been educating on this issue."

Some support **Rep. Nancy Johnson's (R-Ct.)** plan to boost payments for two years, followed by a real reform of the formula. Others would like to amend the formula sooner if possible, fearing that any delay may doom reform efforts.