

2007 Leadership Day Check List

*Committed to supporting
efforts that improve the
practice of internal medicine.*



Replace SGR cuts with at least two years of positive updates and create a pathway to SGR repeal



Support initiatives to improve quality and coordination of care for patients through a patient centered medical home, including:

- ☑ Create financial incentives for physicians to acquire HIT to manage and coordinate care (H.R. 1952)
- ☑ Creating a Medicare benefit for geriatric assessments of patients with chronic illnesses and/or dementia and a separate care coordination fee to physicians who take responsibility for the ongoing management of such patients (S. 1340 and H.R. 2244)



Expand and improve access

- ☑ Reauthorize SCHIP and expand the program to include more low income persons
- ☑ Cosponsor legislation that creates a step-by-step pathway to universal coverage [Kaptur (D-OH)-Latourette (R-OH) HealthCARE Act]
- ☑ Cosponsor legislation to provide funding for states to develop their own programs for universal coverage (S. 325 and H.R. 506)
- ☑ Provide debt relief and other incentives to assure an adequate supply of primary care doctors [Rep. Burgess (R-TX) draft bill]
- ☑ Provide grants to states to redesign care around a patient centered medical home