## Medicare Cap Repeal Bulletin February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018

On February 9<sup>th</sup>, the United States Congress fully repealed the Medicare Cap. In a <u>post on their website</u>, the APTA fully explains what this means. In the post titled "A Permanent Fix to the Therapy Cap: Improved Access for Medicare Patients Comes With Pending APTA-Opposed Cut to PTA Payment" they explain that the "looming threat of a hard cap on physical therapy services under Medicare has been eliminated.

As part of a sprawling bipartisan budget deal passed today, Congress enacted a permanent solution to the problematic hard cap on outpatient physical therapy services under Medicare Part B, ending a 20-year cycle of patient uncertainty and wasteful short-term fixes."

As expected, the AOTA has also lobbied hard for the full repeal of the Medicare cap and <u>released a good explanation</u> of what the repeal means.