

Appendix Table 1: Share of Non-Pediatric Primary Care Physicians Accepting New and Current Medicare patients, by Provider and Practice Characteristics, 2015

Provider/practice characteristic	Overall	Accepts Medicare including NEW Medicare patients	Accepts Medicare, but not taking new Medicare patients	Does NOT accept Medicare patients	Not applicable
Overall, unweighted N	1,257	72%	21%	2%	3%
PHYSICIAN DEMOGRAPHICS					
Provider Sex					
Male (R)	66%	73%	21%	2%	2%
Female	34%	70%	23%	3%	3%
Provider Age					
Under 55 (R)	55%	76%	19%	2%	2%
55 and older	44%	67%*	24%	3%	3%
Provider Race/ethnicity					
White (R)	65%	66%	26%	3%	2%
Asian	18%	83%*	15%*	0%*	2%
Black/ Hispanic/ other	15%	86%*	9%*	3%	2%
Practice type					
Independent office-based (R)	71%	72%	24%	2%	1%
Hospital-owned office-based	17%	76%	20%	0%*	2%
Walk-in retail clinic/other	6%	44%*	10%*	10%	28%
Community clinic/health center	6%	87%*	9%*	1%	3%
Area type					
City (R)	39%	72%	21%	2%	4%
Suburb	31%	72%	24%	2%	1%*
Small town	21%	69%	22%	3%	4%
Rural	9%	81%*	15%	3%	1%
Physician Specialty					
Family Practice (R)	50%	73%	22%	2%	1%
Internal Medicine	46%	73%	21%	2%	2%
Other	4%	--	--	--	--
Patient Caseload Characteristics					
Percent with Medicare					
0- 24%	25%	66%	22%	6%*	5%*
25% to 49%	41%	75%	20%	1%	1%
50% or more (R)	32%	74%	23%	1%	1%
Percent African American					
0-24% (R)	81%	70%	22%	3%	3%
25% or more	17%	79%*	17%	1%	2%
Percent Hispanic					
0-24% (R)	82%	70%	23%	3%	2%
25% or more	15%	78%*	15%	2%	5%
Income					
Mostly low-income	18%	78%	15%*	1%	5%*
Mostly medium-income (R)	32%	70%	24%	2%	1%
Mixed income	46%	71%	22%*	3%	3%*
Mostly high-income	2%	--	--	--	--

NOTE: Statistically significant differences at the 95% confidence level are indicated by (*) from the applicable reference group, indicated by (R). Black/Hispanic/other includes primary care physicians who self-identify as Black (non-Hispanic), Hispanic, or of another race or multiple races. (--) indicates sample size too small to analyze. Percentages may not sum to 100 due to rounding and non-responses not shown.

SOURCE: The Kaiser Family Foundation/ Commonwealth Fund 2015 National Survey of Primary Care Providers