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Community Pharmacists' Impact on Cardiometabolic Health Talking Points

- Patient-centered, team-based care that includes pharmacists contributes to prevention and health management of cardio-metabolic disease
- Pharmacists can and do deliver most vaccinations, plus medication management, blood pressure, cholesterol, blood glucose testing
- The provision and reimbursement for these services through Medicare needs widespread support
- Proximity to patients, particularly in underserved areas, with convenient hours close to home expands access and positively impacts quality of care
- Ending reimbursement for certain pharmacist's services will threaten the ongoing existence of many community pharmacies)
- Closing community pharmacies will decrease access to healthcare services in underserved urban and rural areas (give an example from your community

[Medicaid reimbursement for pharmacist services: A strategy for the pharmacy profession | American Journal of Health-System Pharmacy | Oxford Academic \(oup.com\)](#)