

PETITION: Safe Staffing Laws for Patient Safety!

Patient care in Pennsylvania is in crisis.

Hospital care is in crisis. With less nurses, less ancillary staff, more patients, sicker patients, more paperwork, and record-high levels of burnout and turnover – now more than ever, it is impossible for nurses to provide quality care. It's not safe for our patients, and we're not ready to risk our licenses or your loved ones' lives. **We call on legislators to recognize this crisis, co-sponsor House Bill 867 / Senate Bill 450 for safe patient limits, and give nurses and patients the respect we deserve.**

Nursing home care is in crisis. Because of short staffing, caregivers are leaving the bedside in droves and homes are struggling to recruit and retain new employees. We are working double shifts and our facilities rely more and more on temporary agency staff. As a result, our residents are at risk.

Increase the State Staffing Standard (from the current 2.7) to 4.1 hours of direct care per day per resident from nurses, aides, and other staff to make sure they are getting the time, care and attention they deserve; and Require Medicaid increases for nursing homes to go directly to the bedside to pay for more staff, higher wages, affordable healthcare, and training programs to recruit and retain a strong workforce.

We know these changes can begin to solve the care crisis. We, the undersigned, are united to ensure safe staffing in hospitals and nursing homes, and to bring better care to the citizens of Pennsylvania.

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