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Age-friendly care improves health.

- [Age-Friendly Health Systems reduce the length and cost of hospital stays](#) for older adult patients
- A poll of adults 65+ shows [more than 80% would rather go to a hospital that provides age-friendly care](#) than one that does not

Family caregivers are overworked and under-supported, but we have a plan.

- The Recognize, Assist, Include, Support, & Engage (RAISE) Family Caregivers Act includes a [comprehensive review of the current state of family caregiving and recommendations for increasing support](#)
- The RAISE National Strategy outlines nearly [350 actions the federal government will take in the next three years to support family caregivers](#) and additional actions for other organizations
- [Policies to support family caregivers are universally popular](#) across political affiliation and other demographics, including those recommended in the RAISE National Strategy

Holding conversations about serious illness and end-of-life matters.

- [The Serious Illness Messaging Toolkit provides public-informed guidance](#) on how to talk about serious illness, palliative care and hospice
- [Helping older adults identify what matters most to them](#) can help with planning ahead for potential serious illness and complex conditions

Nursing homes are on the precipice of transformation.

- [71% of older adults polled are unwilling to live in a nursing home in the future](#), and nearly 90% say changes are needed to make nursing homes appealing
- A [blueprint on how to change the way America finances, delivers and regulates care in nursing homes](#) is the first comprehensive call for nursing home reform in more than 30 years
- The [Moving Forward Coalition](#) is actively advancing solutions to improve the quality of nursing home care for older adults and their families