Policies for an Aging America



Policymakers: Enable older adults to stay healthy and independent in your community!

The Reality:

The over-60 population in America is growing at the fastest pace ever in our nation's history. In the next three years, nearly 10 million people will turn age 65. By 2030, one in five people in America will be 65 or older.

The Solution: Craft policy that reflects the fact that:

- People want to age safely in their homes and communities.
- Health happens at home and in the community.
- Enabling aging in place is essential to our economic success.
- We are only as strong as our caregivers.
- Community infrastructure is a critical component of healthy aging.

Prioritize policies and funding that help older adults:

- live safely at home,
- eat well and stay healthy,
- make essential trips in the community,
- live with dignity, and
- avoid unnecessary, more costly, and often unwanted institutional long-term care.





The primary focus of n4a is to advance policies that effectively and efficiently address the needs of an aging America. To accomplish this goal, n4a established the following priorities for 2018. *For details, visit n4a.org.*

Enable Aging at Home and in the Community Strengthen community options that make it possible for older adults to age well and safely in the community.

Invest in Cost-Effective Aging Services

Stop the sequestration of vital human needs programs from undermining the health and wellness of older adults. Invest in Older Americans Act and other supportive services that help older adults live successfully and independently in their homes and communities.

Improve Health and Lower Costs Through Community Interventions

Recognize and protect the pivotal role that the Aging Network plays in addressing the social determinants of health and bridging the gap between the acute care, behavioral health and long-term services and supports systems to improve health outcomes and reduce health care costs.

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