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Pennsylvania's Access To Care Crisis

Background

Between March 4-14, the Pennsylvania Health Care Association conducted a digital survey of skilled nursing facility members.

The focus of the survey is to better understand any limitations Pennsylvania residents are facing in accessing skilled nursing care as a direct result of the ongoing workforce crisis.

The results further validated the access to care crisis in Pennsylvania, a state with one of the oldest populations in the country.

Respondent Profile

Skilled Nursing Facilities

Average licensed beds per facility

Respondent State Region Location

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Top-Line Results

- Workforce shortages are limiting access to care
- Facilities, on average, declined

 20 referrals a month due to
 workforce shortages
- Average facility waitlist for admissions is eight Pennsylvania residents
- 20% of providers say new admissions are relocating from 21 or more miles from home
- 83% of facilities are reliant on agency staffing

59%

From December 2021 - February 2022

of the respondents (47) revealed they declined hospital and non-hospital referrals as a result of not having enough staff

20 DECLINES A MONTH

Each facility averaged nearly 20 admission referral declines a month, or nearly 60 admission referral declines during the three-month period



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An average of eight people are on a nursing home waitlist according to survey respondents

²,51%

of the respondents (41) are finding they are accepting admissions from farther distances compared to last year

21 + MILES

is the average distance a resident is now traveling to be admitted to a nursing home according to 20% (16) of the respondents 9

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Nearly 50% (37) of the respondents revealed they are, on average, unable to use 32 licensed beds due to staffing challenges