

Alzheimer's Association 2023 Public Policy Priorities



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Who We Are

The **Alzheimer's Association** leads the way to end Alzheimer's and all other dementia — by accelerating global research, driving risk reduction and early detection, and maximizing quality care and support.

Advocacy efforts are integral to each aspect of our mission!



The **Alzheimer's Association** is the largest Alzheimer's advocacy organization in the world.





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2022 Alzheimer's Disease Facts and Figures

More than **80%** of Americans know little or are not familiar with mild cognitive impairment (MCI), which can be an early stage of Alzheimer's.

More than
6 million

Americans are living with Alzheimer's



1 in 3

seniors dies with Alzheimer's or another dementia

Between 2000 and 2019, deaths from heart disease have

decreased
7.3%

while deaths from Alzheimer's disease have

increased
145%

In 2022, Alzheimer's and other dementias will cost the nation

\$321 billion

By 2050, these costs could rise to nearly

\$1 trillion

Over
11 million
Americans

provide unpaid care for people with Alzheimer's or other dementias



These caregivers provided more than 16 billion hours valued at nearly

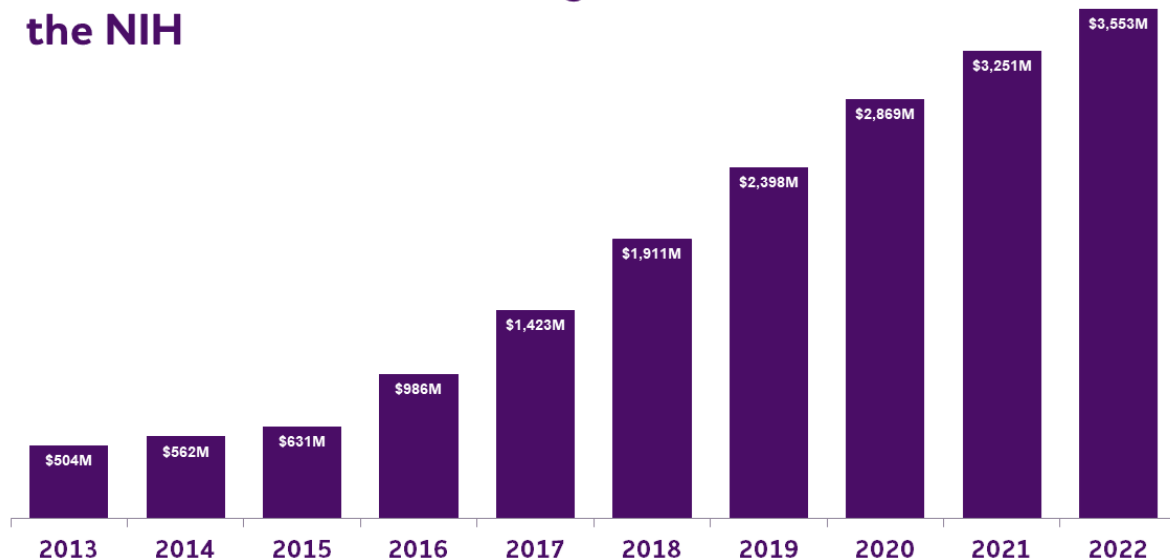
\$272 billion

We Advocate



Following a \$289 million increase signed into law in March 2022, and added to current NIH spending, annual federal funding for Alzheimer's research will be more than **\$3.5 billion**.

Alzheimer's and Related Dementia Research Funding at the NIH



Source: NIH (<https://report.nih.gov/funding/categorical-spending>) with the 2022 figure reflecting NIH's estimated 2021 funding plus the additional increase of \$289M appropriated through the FY2022 omnibus.

State Policy Update & 2023 State Policy Priorities



Alzheimer's & Dementia in OH



Ohio Alzheimer's Statistics

Prevalence

NUMBER OF PEOPLE
AGED 65 AND OLDER
WITH ALZHEIMER'S

Year	TOTAL
2020	220,000
2025	250,000

ESTIMATED % CHANGE

13.6%



Workforce

163

of geriatricians

229.4%

% increase needed to meet
the demand in 2050

102,960

of home health and
personal care aides

31.2%

% increase needed to meet
demand in 2028



Caregiving (2021)

421,000 Number of Caregivers	\$10,051,000,000 Total Value of Unpaid Care	13.6% % of caregivers with depression
614,000,000 Total Hours of Unpaid Care	67.8% % of caregivers with chronic health conditions	16.1% % of caregivers in poor physical health



Health Care

HOSPICE (2017)	HOSPITALS (2018)	MEDICAID
12,656 # of people in hospice with a primary diagnosis of dementia	1,619 # of emergency department visits per 1,000 people with dementia	\$2.534B Medicaid costs of caring for people with Alzheimer's (2020)
17% % in hospice with a primary diagnosis of dementia	22.5% dementia patient hospital readmission rate	16.0% projected change in costs from 2020 to 2025
MEDICARE		
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Mortality

OF DEATHS FROM ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE (2019)

5,234



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State Policy Update

2022 Key Priority Policy Wins for Alzheimer's Association Ohio

- **HB 23-Dementia Training for First Responders**
 - Passed in December 2022 and signed into law by Governor DeWine in 2022
- **Ohio Department of Aging Infrastructure Grant- \$2.5M investment in Ohio ADOD infrastructure (Alzheimer's Association is a grant partner)**
- **Ohio Department of Aging Brain Health Grant- \$2.5M investment in ADOD research**
- **Alzheimer's and other Dementia State Task Force work completed**

2023 Ohio State Priorities

Alzheimer's Respite Line Item (490-414) Increase

Public Awareness and Risk Reduction Legislation

Dementia training for Adult Protective Services Staff

2023 Policy Priorities Overview

- Alzheimer's Respite Line Item (490-414) Increase
 - ✓ Provides an increase in funding for the Area Agencies on Aging Alzheimer's Association's programs and services
 - ✓ Directly provides respite and support services for people living with Alzheimer's and other dementias
 - ✓ Creates additional support programs, resources, and services for families and caregivers

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- Alzheimer's and other Dementia Public Awareness Legislation

A dedicated statewide public awareness campaign will empower both groups to better identify and address the cognitive decline and Alzheimer's. Encourage the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) to create and administer outreach programs aimed to increase awareness of Alzheimer's Disease and other types of dementia (ADOD) among healthcare professionals and Ohio residents.

- ✓ The Ohio Department of Health will educate healthcare providers on the benefits of early detection and timely diagnosis relating to cognitive impairment
- ✓ Ohioans will learn of the early warning signs of Alzheimer's Disease and other types of Dementia
- ✓ Aims to increase greater participation in the Medicare Annual Wellness Visit for the purposes of raising awareness concerning an individual's cognitive health
- ✓ Seeks to improve healthcare providers' utilization of the Medicare Care Planning billing code for individuals living with cognitive impairment

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- Dementia Training for Adult Protective Staff Services Legislation
 - ✓ Permits the Ohio Department of Jobs and Family Services (ODJFS) to develop initial and yearly training for APS officials on identifying behaviors and associated risks of people living with Alzheimer's and other types of dementia.
 - ✓ Requires ODJFS to provide APS officials with initial dementia training consisting of four (4) hours, and two (2) hours of continuing dementia training which includes:
 1. Effective techniques for understanding and approaching individuals with behavioral symptoms
 2. Resources for referrals to dementia care professionals and Learning how to effectively communicate respectfully and appropriately to individuals with cognitive impairment
 3. Education relating to addressing specific aspects of safety for individuals living with cognitive impairment (e.g. wandering)
 4. Identification and awareness of when to alert the appropriate law enforcement agencies of potential criminal behavior involving a family member, caretaker, or institution regarding abuse, exploitation, and/or neglect concerning a person living with dementia

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