

# THE PENNSYLVANIA HOMECARE ASSOCIATION

is a statewide membership association representing nearly **700 organizations** that provide care and support to **individuals in their homes**. Members provide non-medical **home care**, **home health**, and **hospice** care to residents in all of Pennsylvania's 67 counties.

## INDUSTRY BY SECTOR

### HOMECARE **PRIMARY PAYERS: PRIVATE PAY, MEDICAID**

Homecare agencies provide non-medical services to help individuals with activities of daily living (ADLs), like transferring from a chair or bed, toileting, bathing, and getting dressed.

### HOME HEALTH **PRIMARY PAYERS: MEDICARE, SOME MEDICAID**

Home health provides skilled services, including nursing care and physical, occupational, speech and respiratory therapy. These services are usually short-term, as in the case of a person recovering from surgery or other time-limited health issues.

### HOSPICE **PRIMARY PAYERS: MEDICARE, SOME MEDICAID**

Hospice care brings together medical care, pain management and emotional and spiritual support for terminal patients and their families. Eighty percent of hospice care is provided in the patient's home.

To find a home-based care provider in your community, visit [www.pahomecare.org/find-a-provider](http://www.pahomecare.org/find-a-provider)

## HOME-BASED CARE PA ECONOMIC IMPACT

**\$25.6 Billion**

Total Economic Impact

Tripp Umbach 2020 PHA Economic Impact Study

**\$4.5 Billion**

Tax Revenue  
*(federal, state & local)*

**292,577**

Direct Employees

## MORE THAN...

**117,000**<sup>1</sup>

Pennsylvanians receive **home and community-based services** through the **Community HealthChoices Waiver (Medicaid)**.

**140,000**<sup>2</sup>

Pennsylvanians **pay privately or through insurance** for **homecare services**.

**125,000**<sup>3</sup>

Pennsylvanians **receive home health services** each year.

**73,000**<sup>3</sup>

Pennsylvanians **receive in-home hospice services** each year.

(1) March 2023 OLTL Data Dash (2) Home Care Pulse Benchmarking Report, 2022 (3) CMS Program Statistics



**PA MONTHLY COST OF CARE (2021)**

### IN-HOME CARE

**\$4,957**

Home Health Aide

**\$4,957**

Homemaker Services

### NURSING HOME FACILITY

**\$10,403**

Semi-Private Room

**\$11,157**

Private Room

2021 GENWORTH COST OF CARE STUDY

## 2023 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

- Increase state funding for non-medical personal assistance services and shift nursing under the Commonwealth's Medical Assistance Program so that providers can offer competitive wages and meet the increasing demand for services.
- Support initiatives for workforce development for the healthcare continuum to protect and preserve access to high quality in-home care.
- Continue the use of virtual interviewing in home care to allow for efficient hiring and onboarding.
- Allow LPNs to make pronouncements of death in the hospice setting.
- Support meaningful updates to the Older Adult Protective Services Act to keep seniors safe while also protecting access to quality care.

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