Oklahoma's Seniors Deserve Better

Oklahoma's most vulnerable seniors who live in nursing homes and other long-term care facilities deserve better than subpar conditions. After working hard their entire lives, they now confront an out-of-date long-term care system and unsafe nursing homes and other long-term care facilities. It's time to hold nursing homes accountable for providing safe environments and high-quality care for residents. AARP recently surveyed Oklahoma registered voters age 50+ about improvements they believe are necessary in nursing homes and other long-term care facilities. **This is what we learned:**

Oklahoma's Voters...

86%

want to receive long-term care at home with caregiver assistance

92%

say it is **extremely or very important** to have home care services to help them or a loved one stay at home for as long as possible

88%

are **extremely or very concerned** about a loved one receiving care in a nursing home and being abused or neglected. **92% are extremely or very concerned** with the nursing home not having adequate staff

97%

believe it is **extremely or very important** for nursing home residents to receive quality care.

Support for Commonsense Solutions

Home Care

Oklahomans **support** increased access to home care.

Require More Inspections and Inspectors

The majority of Oklahomans **support** increasing nursing home inspections to more than once per year. They also **support** requiring more licensed inspectors to be available to inspect and evaluate the quality of care that nursing homes and other long-term care facilities provide to residents in Oklahoma.

Increase Access to Respite and Resources

Most Oklahomans **support** increasing access to respite care. **88%** also **support** a state agency take responsibility for the implementation of Options Counseling for caregivers.

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