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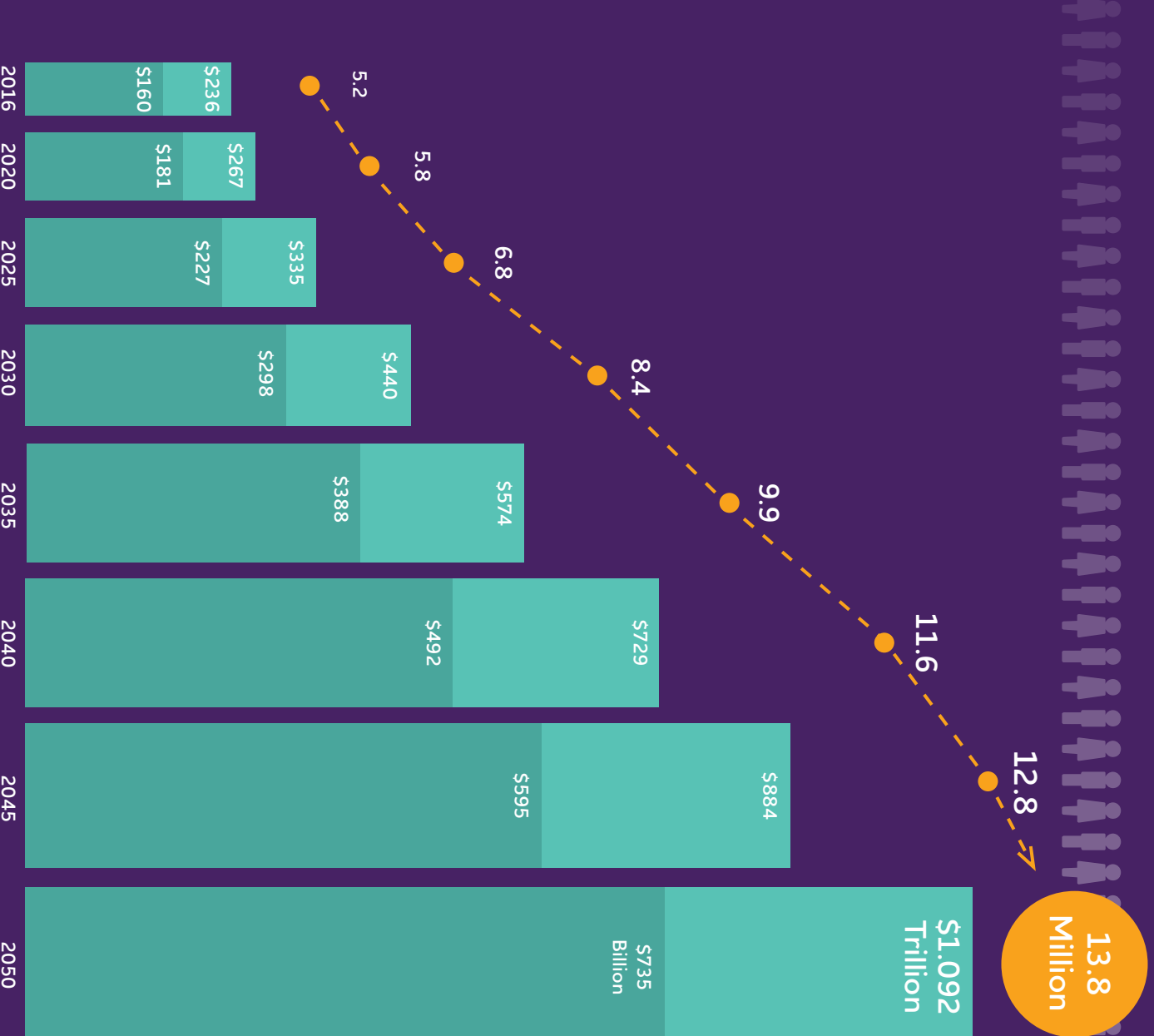
ALZHEIMER'S IS THE MOST EXPENSIVE DISEASE IN AMERICA

Sources:
Monetary Costs of Dementia in the United States, *New England Journal of Medicine* 2013.
Alzheimer's Association, 2016 *Facts and Figures, Alzheimer's and Dementia*, Vol. 12, Issue 4.

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The number of Americans with Alzheimer's is set to **nearly triple**.



Costs are set to more than quadruple.

Most of it paid by Medicare and Medicaid.

Sources:
Lewin Group Econometric Model of Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia Costs (see alz.org/trajectory);
Alzheimer's disease in the United States (2010–2050) estimated using the 2010 Census. *Neurology* 2013.

RESEARCH

An additional \$400 million in Alzheimer's research at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) would:

- Continue to fund the steps needed to meet the goal of preventing and effectively treating Alzheimer's by 2025.
- Fully fund the NIH Alzheimer's Bypass Budget proposal.

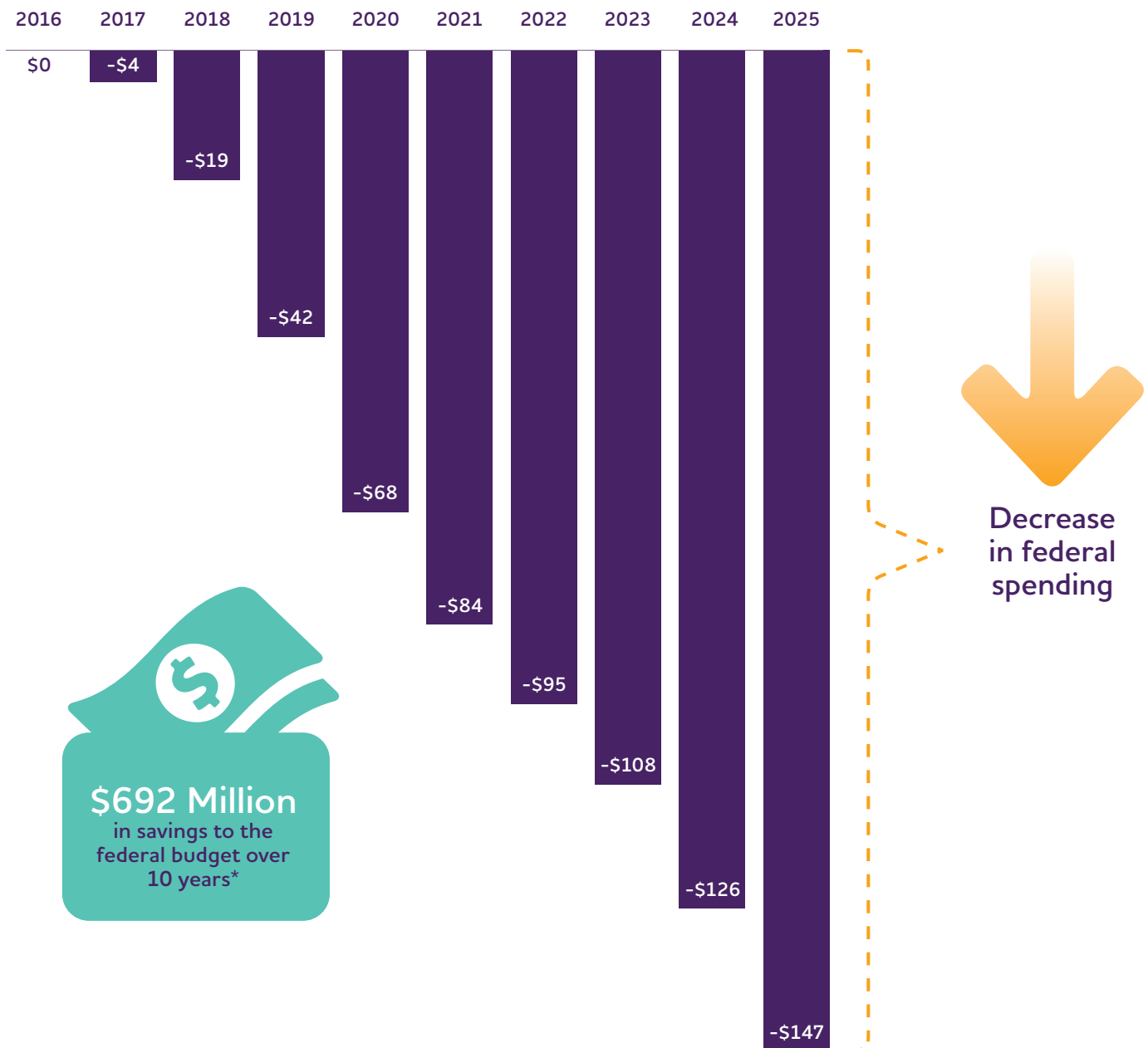


Sources: Alzheimer's Association, 2016 *Facts and Figures, Alzheimer's and Dementia*, Vol. 12, Issue 4; National Institutes of Health (http://report.nih.gov/categorical_spending.aspx).

CARE PLANNING

The HOPE for Alzheimer's Act (S. 857/H.R. 1559) would:

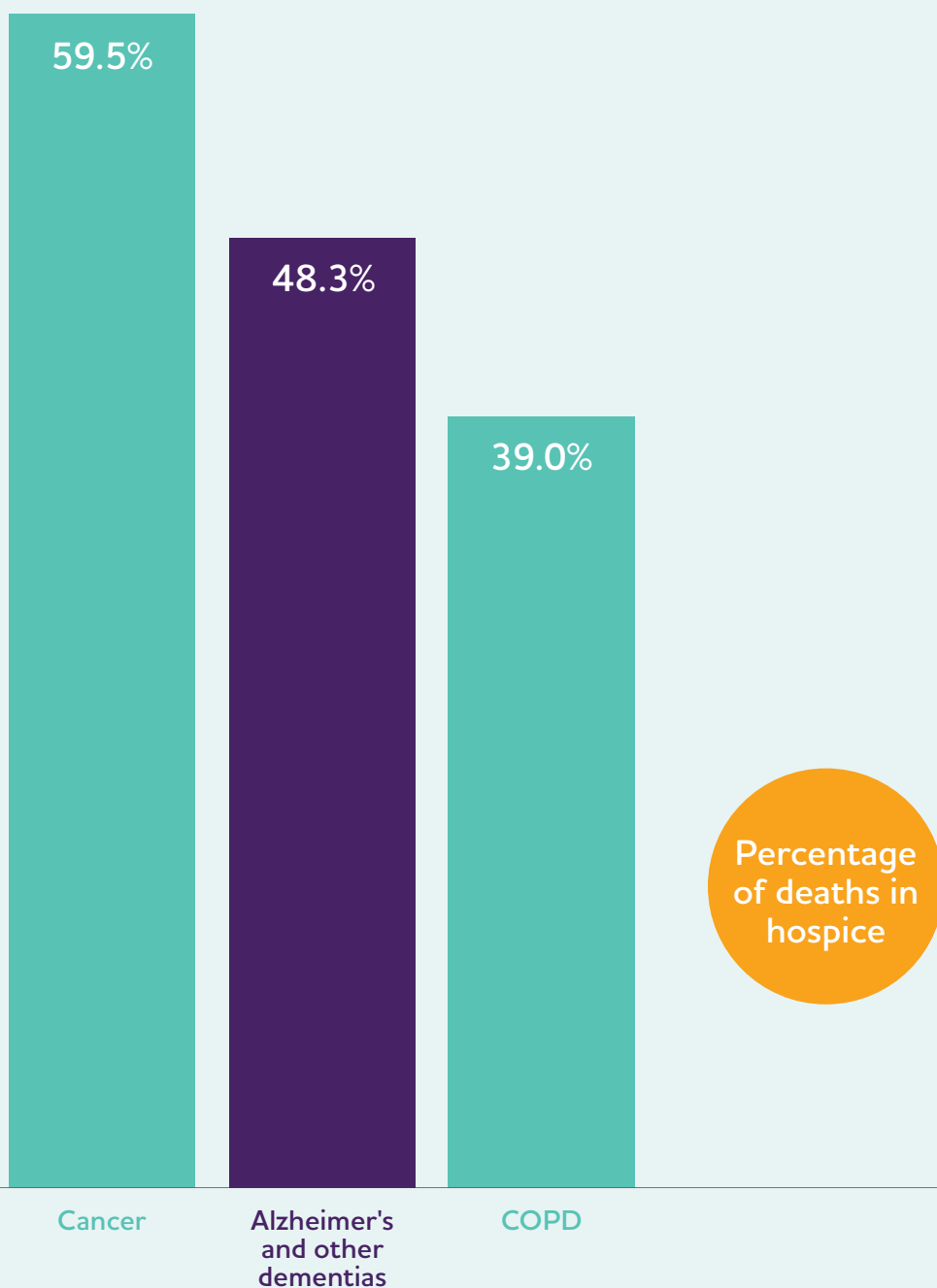
- Provide Medicare coverage for comprehensive care planning services – for both the individual and caregiver – following a dementia diagnosis.
- Ensure a dementia diagnosis and care planning are documented in the medical record.
- Educate providers about the new benefit.



PALLIATIVE AND HOSPICE CARE

The Palliative Care & Hospice Education and Training Act (PCHETA) would:

- Establish palliative care and hospice workforce training programs for doctors, nurses and other health professionals.
- Create a national education and awareness campaign to inform patients, families and health professionals about the benefits of palliative care and available services and supports.
- Enhance research on improving the delivery of palliative care.



Source: Change in End-of-Life Care for Medicare Beneficiaries, *Journal of the American Medical Association* 2013.

The Alzheimer's Association is the leading voluntary health organization in Alzheimer's care, support and research. Our mission is to eliminate Alzheimer's disease through the advancement of research; to provide and enhance care and support for all affected; and to reduce the risk of dementia through the promotion of brain health.

Our vision is a world without Alzheimer's disease.®

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