

NEW LINKS on OUR MOTHER'S VOICE!

On February 28, 2022, **President Biden released his agenda for improving care in America's nursing homes:**

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2022/02/28/fact-sheet-protecting-seniors-and-people-with-disabilities-by-improving-safety-and-quality-of-care-in-the-nations-nursing-homes/?emci=76bceb93-e598-ec11-a507-281878b83d8a&emdi=9cdfb10e-e898-ec11-a507-281878b83d8a&ceid=3994316>

The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine (NAEM) has published a comprehensive report on **the status of quality of nursing home care and recommendations for addressing the persistent failures** of the current “system”:

<https://www.nationalacademies.org/our-work/the-quality-of-care-in-nursing-homes>

Our Mother's Voice founder and CEO participated in the panel discussions contributing to this report, served as a reviewer prior to release of the report, is acknowledged for her work on pages vii and ix, and is quoted on pages 150-151 and 402 of the report.

New York's Long-Term Care Community Coalition has a **resource for families, advocates, and consumers seeking information about quality of care and facility performance** on a wide range of factors, including staffing, survey results, poor-performing facilities, and many others. The resource is searchable and can be filtered for geographical area, high-to-low rankings, and other categories to assist in honing your search:

<https://nursinghome411.org/states/>

The National Consumer Voice for Quality Long-Term Care has a fact sheet on **recognizing neglect in nursing homes and getting help** if you identify neglect:

<https://theconsumervoice.org/uploads/files/general/cv-ncea-nh-neglect-list.pdf>

and a brief YouTube **video tutorial** to accompany the factsheet:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aLYWq6qvTY0>

The Consumer Voice has released a report examining how largely **self-reported data of the Quality Measures can obscure poor ratings in the other categories** of staffing and health inspections, and advocating for **needed reforms**:

https://theconsumervoice.org/uploads/files/actions-and-news-updates/Using_the_Five_Star_Quality_Measure_to_Mask_Bad_Care.pdf

The **Alzheimer's Association** has published their **2022 Facts and Figures** resource and an accompanying report on **Mild Cognitive Impairment**:

<https://www.alz.org/alzheimers-dementia/facts-figures>

The Consumer Voice has published an **advocate's fact sheet** that is essential for anyone faced with the age-old complaint (or threat) from a facility that their loved one is “difficult”. **“Difficult” is Not a Diagnosis: What to Do When Your Loved One is Being Pushed to Take Antipsychotic Drugs** is available here:

https://theconsumervoice.org/uploads/files/general/CV_DifficultDiagnosis_AdvocateFS_web.pdf