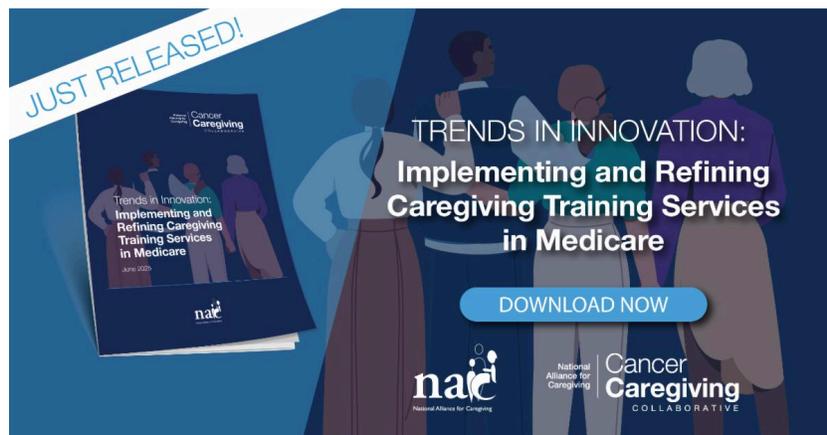


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New Brief Alert: Medicare Caregiver Training Services Report

Family caregivers share that training in essential medical tasks – like wound care, medication management, and feeding support – helps them feel more comfortable in caring for their loved ones.

This week, NAC released “Trends in Innovation: Implementing and Refining Caregiving Training Services in Medicare,” a new report focused on Caregiver Training Services (CTS) under the CY 2025 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule.

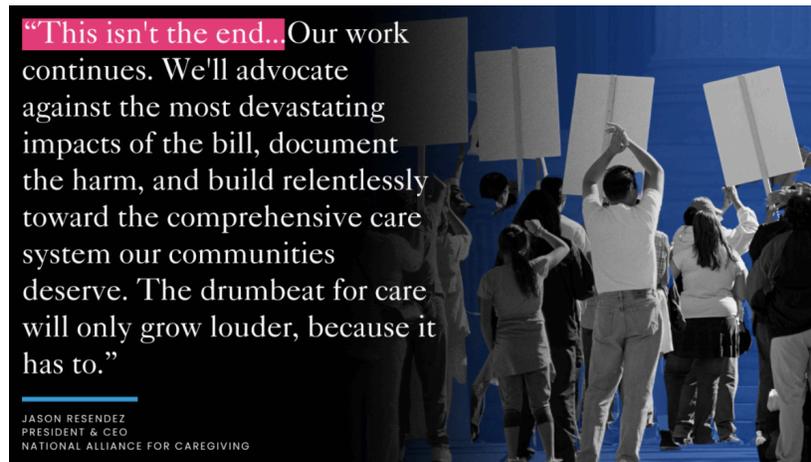
Through on-the-ground insights from Northwell Health and RUSH University Medical Center, plus practical tools and caregiver stories, this resource is designed

to support health systems and advocates in expanding training for caregivers who help loved ones navigate serious illnesses like cancer. [Download the report.](#)

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CARE POLICY UPDATES

OBBB Passes



On July 4, President Trump signed into law Congress' budget reconciliation package, dubbed OBBB. This legislation included several provisions that directly impacts family caregivers, including deep cuts to Medicaid. NAC will continue to advocate against the most devastating impacts of the bill and build toward the comprehensive care system our communities deserve. [Read NAC's statement here.](#)

Older Americans Act Reauthorization Reintroduced

The Older Americans Act Reauthorization Act of 2024 was re-introduced in Congress, aiming to modernize and strengthen essential programs that support older adults and their family caregivers. Key provisions include expansion of respite care, caregiver training, and evidence-based services, which are all urgently needed as family caregiving demands continue to grow. [Read NAC's statement here.](#)

CAREGIVING INSIGHTS

Family Caregiving Is Changing. Fast.

Across the country, people are stepping into family caregiving roles, often with great intensity and few resources and supports. Caregiving in the U.S. 2025 is coming soon! The new report will shed new light on the emotional, financial, and workplace challenges family caregivers face, and the gap between what they want and what they need.

The landscape of care is shifting. Are we ready?



NAC IN THE NEWS

THE HILL

Jason Resendez and New Mexico Gov. Michelle Lujan Grisham co-authored an op-ed on how Medicaid cuts harm America's family caregivers. [Read.](#)

PIVOTAL VENTURES

NAC's feature in Pivotal Ventures explores why scaling support for family caregivers is critical for families, communities, and the economy. [Read.](#)

THE COMMONWEALTH FUND:



In this latest blog, Jason Resendez lays out why systematic investment in caregivers is an urgent human need and how recent action for the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation (CMMI) is a step in the right direction. [Read.](#)

AGING IN AMERICA NEWS

In this new piece, Jason Resendez explains how undermining programs like Medicaid puts millions of family caregivers at risk and what's at stake for our national safety net. [Read.](#)

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

Celebrating Milestones: Medicare, Medicaid & OAA

July marks major anniversaries for three foundational programs that shape family caregiving:

- **Medicare (1965)** – 60 years ago, Medicare created a lifeline for millions of older adults. Today, it's evolving to include caregiver support through innovations like Caregiver Training Services (CTS).
- **Medicaid (1965)** – Also celebrating 60 years, Medicaid continues to provide essential home and community-based services. Yet, proposed funding cuts threaten caregivers' access to long-term care supports.
- **Older Americans Act (1965)** – Now in its 59th year, the OAA remains the primary federal law supporting aging services, including the National Family Caregiver Support Program. With reauthorization underway, it's more important than ever to preserve and expand its caregiver supports.

These anniversaries are more than milestones. They're reminders that systems must evolve to meet the realities of the 53 million caregivers today.

New Documentary Explores the Future of Aging

Older adults are living longer and redefining aging, but is the U.S. ready to help them thrive? *Aging in America: Survive or Thrive*, a documentary produced for PBS and supported by The John A. Hartford Foundation (JAHF), explores the challenges and opportunities of supporting an aging population. JAHF has also released free discussion guides for professionals in the field of aging and general audiences to support deeper and actionable conversations around the film.

Request a screening and download the guides [here](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS

July

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Summit on Aging in America

Join the Alliance for Health Policy on July 23 in Washington, D.C. for a day of candid conversations, bold ideas, and dynamic speakers – all focused on aging, equity, and health. [Reserve your free spot today.](#)

August

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USAging Funding Opportunity

USAging has opened its latest RFP for organizations implementing Older Americans Act caregiver programs. Apply by August 1 to support navigation services and caregiver supports in your community. [Learn more and apply here.](#)

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