



Survey on Workforce Shortage Crisis in Long Term Care Facilities

Rhode Island’s long-term care facilities have borne the brunt of the COVID-19 pandemic, which exacerbated an already serious workforce shortage.

The Rhode Island Health Care Association and Leading Age Rhode Island, recently surveyed the state’s nursing facilities on November 1st, 2021 to assess how dire the staffing crisis is today.

With the looming January 1st unfunded staffing mandate, nursing facilities are facing the fight of their lives.

Without proper funding, adequate training, and lack of available C.N.A testing sites in the state, the workforce challenges facing the industry will only get worse.

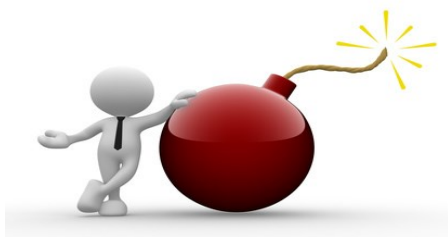
71% of Facilities have limited the number of Admissions they accept

This crisis does not only affect operators of these facilities, but communities. With staff shortages, looming fines, and payment freezes, facilities face admission bans, discharges of current patients and closures, leaving Rhode Island’s most frail with no place to go.

Rhode Island needs to make our long-term care facilities a priority and support solutions that will help recruit and retain high quality caregivers to care for our elders.

28 Facilities have shut down rooms or units due to their inability to staff

23 Facilities have closed to Admissions over the last three months.



1,920 Open Positions
983 Open C.N.A Positions
447 Open RN/LPN Positions