## **Advocate for Hospice & Palliative Care Today!**

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- Key priorities in hospice & palliative care are **CONNECT** Act & **PCHETA**
- Click below to quickly & easily advocate

The National Alliance for Care at Home is calling on all members and advocates to take immediate action to protect and strengthen access to home-based care. Congress is actively considering a number of policies that could dramatically impact patient access to essential services, the care at home workforce, and reimbursement for these vital services.

We are urging lawmakers to support legislation that has already been introduced and to reintroduce key bills from previous sessions that would protect and advance high-quality care in the home.

Contact your Members of Congress today, share your personal experiences, and make your voice heard.

## Key Hospice & Palliative Care Priorities for the Alliance

Hospice: Support permanent telehealth access for patients and providers. The Alliance urges Congress to pass the CONNECT for Health Act (H.R. 4189 / S. 2016) to preserve and expand telehealth flexibilities for Medicare beneficiaries. This bipartisan legislation would remove geographic and site restrictions, empowering providers to deliver care more efficiently and patients to receive it more conveniently — especially in rural and underserved communities. It also allows telehealth to be used for hospice face-to-face recertification.

Contact your House and Senate offices to express support for the *CONNECT for Health Act* and the importance of telehealth in safeguarding access to home-based care. 

<u>Take Action.</u>

**Palliative Care:** Push for reintroduction of the *Palliative Care and Hospice Education and Training Act* (PCHETA) in both the House and Senate to strengthen our workforce and improve care for those with serious illness. PCHETA has historically received broad bipartisan support but has yet to make it across the finish line. With increasing demand for hospice and palliative care clinicians and continued access challenges in many communities, now is the time to act.

In today's healthcare and fiscal climate, leaders from both parties can connect PCHETA's goals to local needs and responsible, cost-effective care delivery while building the care at home workforce of the future. <a href="#">Take Action</a>.

Care at home, wherever a patient calls home, is a lifeline for millions of Americans—providing comfort, dignity, and support in the setting patients overwhelmingly prefer. Yet without swift action, regulatory burdens, inadequate reimbursement, and workforce shortages could compromise the sustainability of care at home.

We encourage all Alliance members and stakeholders to take a few moments to contact your elected officials. A personalized message goes a long way toward educating Congress about the real-world impacts of their decisions.

Thank you for your continued advocacy on behalf of patients, providers, and the entire care at home community!