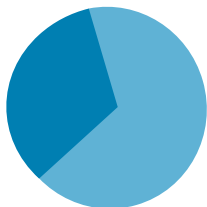


# THE VALUE OF TIME

**ONLY 33%** OF THOSE  
DIAGNOSED  
WITH ALZHEIMER'S  
ARE AWARE  
OF THE DIAGNOSIS



ONE OF THE REASONS:

**DOCTORS  
DON'T  
HAVE TIME**



**FOR CARE PLANNING  
AFTER A DIAGNOSIS**

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TELL CONGRESS:

**GIVE DOCTORS THE TIME**

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SUPPORT THE

**HOPE**

FOR ALZHEIMER'S ACT

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*Care planning following a diagnosis is crucial to improving outcomes for the individual and the health of caregivers.*

# THE HOPE ACT WOULD:

- ▶ Provide Medicare coverage for comprehensive care planning services — for both the individual and caregiver — following a dementia diagnosis.
- ▶ Ensure that a dementia diagnosis and any care planning is documented in the medical record.
- ▶ Educate providers about the new benefit and identify any barriers individuals face in accessing care planning.

**“Once we received our mother’s diagnosis, we didn’t have any idea of what was to come.”**

*— Clare, West Columbia, SC*

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