



MARYLAND ALZHEIMER'S STATISTICS*

110,000 Marylanders are living with Alzheimer's and other dementia.

\$1.231 billion spent in Medicaid costs on Alzheimer's and other dementia (2020).

3rd highest percentage of adults who are dementia caregivers.

68.8% of caregivers have chronic health conditions.

DEMENTIA-SPECIFIC POSITIONS EXIST IN THE FOLLOWING STATES

Florida	North Carolina
Georgia	Oregon
Hawaii	South Carolina
Idaho	South Dakota
Illinois	Utah
Kentucky	Virginia
New Mexico	Washington
and the District of Columbia	



GREATER MARYLAND CHAPTER
NATIONAL CAPITAL AREA CHAPTER

*For more information, view the 2021 Alzheimer's Disease Facts and Figures report at alz.org/facts.

DIRECTOR OF DEMENTIA SERVICES COORDINATION

- This legislation would establish a full-time Director of Dementia Services Coordination within the Maryland Department of Health.
- The position will be responsible for the coordination of services affecting Marylanders with dementia and their caregivers and families, including:
 - implementing the Maryland Alzheimer's state plan managing the Virginia I. Jones Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Council.
 - identifying and supporting the development of dementia-specific training.
 - applying for grants to expand and improve services for Marylanders with Alzheimer's and their caregivers.

Sponsors: Senator Malcolm Augustine (Prince George's County) and Speaker Pro Tem Sheree Sample Hughes (Salisbury)

WHAT CAN MARYLAND DO?

1. **ENACT** legislation that establishes the Director of Dementia Services Coordination in the Maryland Department of Health.
2. **FUND** this position to coordinate the state's response to dementia and implement the goals of the state Alzheimer's Council.