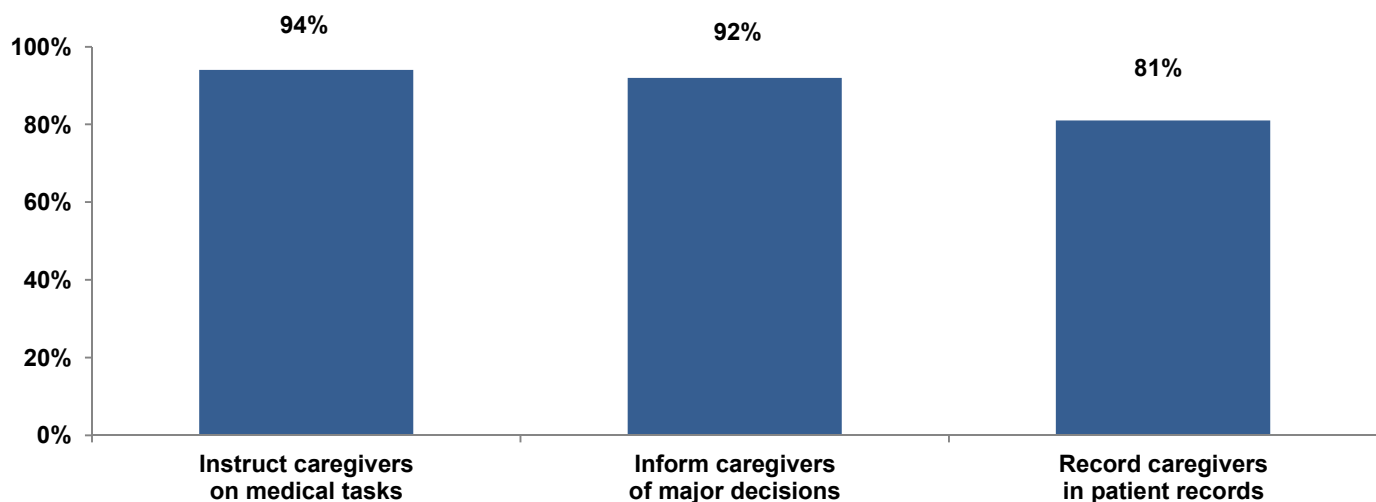


2015 AARP Caregiving Survey of Nebraska Registered Voters Age 45-Plus: Support for Family Caregivers When Loved Ones Are Hospitalized

Nebraska registered voters age 45-plus strongly support proposals to help family caregivers navigate the health care system on behalf of their loved ones. Specifically, respondents support requiring hospitals and health care facilities to explain and demonstrate medical and nursing tasks that family caregivers will need to perform after the patient returns home; keep a family caregiver informed of major decisions, like transferring or discharging the patient; and record the name of a patient's family caregiver in the medical record upon admission. **Nearly three quarters of current and former caregivers (73%) say that at some point their loved one was admitted to the hospital.** Additionally, nearly all (95%) say it would be extremely or very important for them to get instructions if their loved one was being discharged from the hospital.

Support for Proposals to Require Hospitals to Engage with Family Caregivers (n=800 Nebraska Registered Voters Age 45-plus)



*Graph shows respondents who checked "strongly or somewhat support" under each type of action.

Percent Supporting CARE Act Proposals by Political Party

	Democratic (n=210)	Independent (n=172)	Republican (n=309)
Require hospitals and care facilities to record the name of a patient's caregiver in the medical record upon admission.	82%	84%	81%
Require hospitals to keep caregivers informed of major decisions, like transferring or discharging patient.	92%	92%	92%
Require hospitals and rehab facilities to explain and demonstrate any medical tasks caregivers may need to perform after the patient returns home.	95%	94%	95%

AARP Nebraska commissioned a telephone survey of 800 Nebraska registered voters age 45- plus to learn about their experiences with family caregiving. This report highlights results from residents interviewed between October 2 and October 7, 2015. The data in this report has been weighted by age and gender to reflect the Nebraska registered voter population age 45-plus. The survey has a margin of error of ± 3.5 percent. A fully annotated survey with question wording and responses will be available at www.aarp.org/research.

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