Policy Priorities and Action Strategies for Alzheimer's Association MA/NH Chapter

**Long-Term Federal Advocacy Policy Priorities**

- Increase research funding to the National Institutes of Health (NIH)
- Advances legislation that will help persons with Alzheimer's, their families, and caregivers

**Long-Term State Advocacy Policy Priorities**

- Alzheimer's is a pivotal public health battle, and state governments stand on the front line
- Main focus of NH state level work is on quality of care/settings

**2019 New Hampshire Short-Term Advocacy Policy Priorities**

- Advocate for Dementia Direct care Workforce Training Bill that all direct care workers who come in contact with people with dementia have a mandatory amount of training in all levels of care
- Advocate for Hospital Operational Plan for Alzheimer’s Bill which mandates that all NH hospitals have an operational plan for people with dementia enter a hospital
- Protect and Maintain Family Caregiver Respite Grant by seeking to increase the amount of funding in the NH Department of Health and Human Services state budget

Together we can use creative solutions and engagement opportunities to create communities where we all thrive as we age!

**Actionable Ways to Engage with Alzheimer's Association**

1. Join Alzheimer's Ambassador program and advocate for federal priorities
2. Join the Congressional Team Member program and assist in advocating for federal priorities
3. Join the front lines of NH State advocacy through State Champions program
4. Take action on your phone by texting ALZ to 52886 to sign up for calls to action
5. Sign-up to receive newsletters and action alerts through email
6. Call the Alzheimer's Association 24/7 at 1.800.272.3900 for information

For more information about volunteering visit: alzimpact.org/volunteer

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