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## Statement on Bipartisan Policy Center White Paper on Long-Term Care

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"AARP applauds the [Bipartisan Policy Center](#) for highlighting the need for a real discussion about America's long-term care crisis and solutions to address it.

"Millions of individuals and families currently caring for loved ones are faced everyday with physical, financial and emotional challenges. Family caregivers need support – individuals want to live independently in their homes and communities – and as a country we are not prepared.

"Every night, families are discussing these tough issues around their kitchen table. It's time to bring that conversation into the spotlight and take action. We hope the Bipartisan Policy Center's efforts will help bring additional attention and constructive ideas to address this issue and help families.

"AARP has made it a priority to explore solutions to this crisis with the aim of helping people live independently in their homes and communities, supporting family caregivers, and forging innovative solutions across sectors. AARP is engaged in a multi-state [advocacy campaign](#) to improve family caregiver support, training and workplace protections as well as an [education campaign](#) with the Ad Council and other efforts."

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