

Wisconsin AFL-CIO Press: Statement on Gov. Evers' veto of assembly bill 76

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Stephanie Bloomingdale, President of the Wisconsin AFL-CIO, released the following statement on Gov. Evers' veto of Assembly Bill 76, a Republican-led effort to lower instruction hours for Certified Nursing Assistants (CNAs) by nearly half.

“CNAs and patients in Wisconsin are better for Governor Evers' bold action to safeguard our citizens from this reckless Republican-led legislation to slash training hours for Certified Nursing Assistants (CNAs) in half. With this veto, CNAs, as well as patients, will not be put in dangerous situations by starting a first day with just half of the current training level. CNAs are some of the lowest paid healthcare workers and do essential work caring for our sick, elderly and frail. The only way to address a worker shortage is to value our CNAs by increasing pay and benefits, improving working conditions, and ensuring sure every CNA has the opportunity to join a union. Thank you, Gov. Evers, for protecting patients and CNA training standards by vetoing Assembly Bill 76.”