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COALITION THANKS GOVERNOR FOR VETO OF ASSEMBLY BILL 76

MADISON, WI, November 21, 2019—The Coalition of Wisconsin Aging and Health Groups today thanked Governor Evers for vetoing Assembly Bill 76. Assembly Bill 76 would have reduced the number of required training hours for CNAs from the current 120 to 75.

“We are grateful that Governor Evers recognizes the importance of training certified nursing assistants. CNAs are the front line in Wisconsin nursing homes, dealing with patients on a day to day basis, and are often the first to identify patient issues when properly trained” said Coalition President and CEO, Rob Gundermann.

“Organizations requiring CNAs, especially nursing homes, are facing a staffing crisis and we need to deal with that but there are better ways” Gundermann said.

The Coalition believes providing scholarships for people wanting to become CNAs would be a better approach. Wisconsin has used this approach successfully in the past.

“Wisconsin requires 300 hours of training to become a manicurist and 1,000 hours of training to become a barber. Requiring 120 hours to become a CNA, given everything they do in terms of providing care for our loved ones, is not excessive” Gundermann added.