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***** PLEASE COMPLETE THIS SURVEY ONLY ONCE! *****

Good morning,

The Legislative Budget and Finance Committee (LBFC) is a bipartisan and bicameral legislative service agency consisting of 12 members of the Pennsylvania General Assembly (www.lbfc.legis.state.pa.us) charged with the general mission of providing the General Assembly with timely, accurate, and unbiased information and analysis to allow them to make informed policy decisions.

Pennsylvania Act 2016-20 Caregiver Advise, Record, and Enable Act (PA CARE Act) directs the LBFC to conduct a study and provide a report focused on the impact of the designation of a family caregiver on certain inpatient outcomes. Pursuant to the provisions of the PA CARE Act, LBFC staff have prepared **a survey for Pennsylvania hospitals** to document the implementation of the requirements of the PA CARE Act and the impact of those requirements on inpatients in Pennsylvania hospitals in calendar years 2018, 2019, 2020.

**Results from this survey will only be reported in the aggregate.
Your hospital and your personal identifiable information and survey
responses will be kept confidential.**

The LBFC Pennsylvania Hospital Survey can be accessed at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/YF7FXS6> and will be **available until Thursday, March 31, 2022**. Please note that you will be able to save your progress at any time by clicking on the DONE button at the very end of the survey. You can regain access to your survey by clicking on the survey link above. If you have any questions, please contact Anne Witkonis by email at awitkonis@palbfc.us or by phone at (717) 951-2205.

The LBFC Pennsylvania Hospital Survey is being distributed on our behalf by both The Hospital and Healthsystem Association of Pennsylvania (HAP) and the Pennsylvania Department of Health (DOH) to maximize the survey's exposure. However, we request that only one survey be submitted on behalf of each Pennsylvania hospital.

Your answers to this survey are **critical** to providing the General Assembly with current and reliable data regarding the impact of inpatients being afforded an opportunity by Pennsylvania hospitals to designate a family caregiver.

We thank you for your time and consideration in completing the LBFC Pennsylvania Hospital Survey.

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