AARP is fighting to support family caregivers and their loved ones to help them live independently at home. **AARP recently surveyed Alabama registered voters age 40-plus** about their caregiving experiences. Here’s what we learned:

Alabama registered voters age 40+ overwhelming support the three components of the Alabama Family Caregivers Act. They say:

- **Hospitals should INSTRUCT caregivers on medical tasks**: 95%
- **Hospitals should INFORM caregivers before their loved one is discharged**: 92%
- **Hospitals should IDENTIFY the name of the caregiver in the patient’s medical record**: 85%

This support is strong across political party lines.

- Hospitals should instruct caregivers on medical tasks: 94% (Republican), 96% (Democrat), 97% (Independent)
- Hospitals should inform caregivers before discharge: 90% (Republican), 94% (Democrat), 96% (Independent)
- Hospitals should include the name of the caregiver in the medical record: 86% (Republican), 89% (Democrat), 83% (Independent)

**Alabamians are family caregivers:** If you’re not a caregiver now and weren’t one in the past, you’ll likely be one in the future:

- **Current or Former Caregivers**: 48%
- **Likely Caregivers in the future**: 61%

**Alabama family caregivers help their older loved ones with daily activities like shopping, transportation, meals, and chores. They also:**

- **Handle nursing and medical tasks**: 58%
- **Manage medications**: 81%