

# NURSES KNOW: HEALTH CARE IS IN CRISIS. A safe staffing law would help fix it.



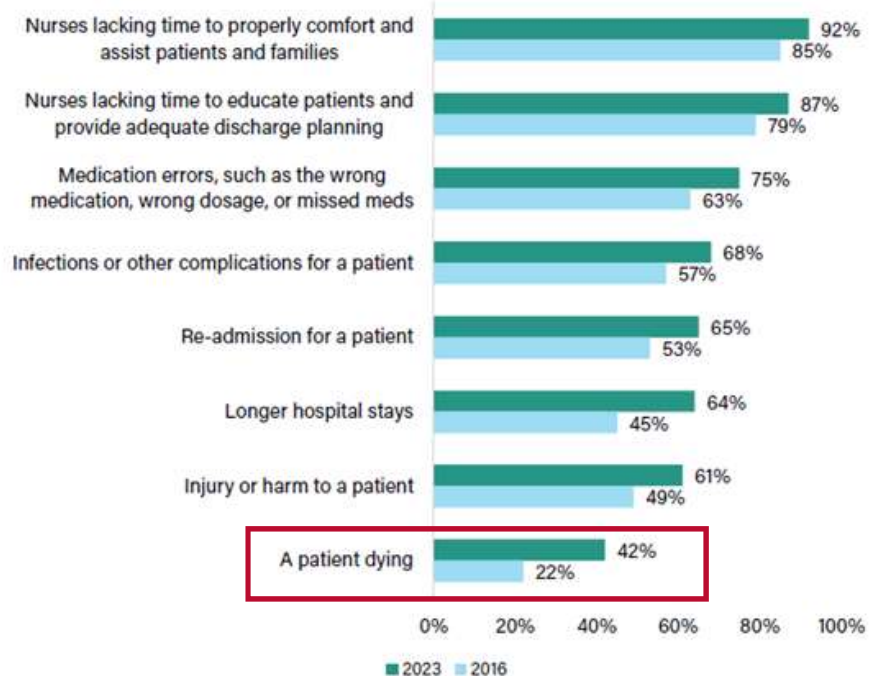
## The nurse retention crisis and patient safety crisis go hand in hand. We cannot address one without addressing the other.

53% of Michigan nurses working in direct patient care say they **plan to leave** their current position in the next two years. Currently, **50,000 RNs with active Michigan licenses are not working as nurses.**

79% of Michigan nurses say that **hospital decision making** has led to the crisis rather than a shortage of qualified RNs. Immediate action is needed to stop the downward spiral.

75% of Michigan RNs say they would **be more likely to stay at the bedside** if a safe staffing law were passed.

Are you aware of any instances in Michigan in which a registered nurse having to care for too many patients has led to...? (% answering "aware")



For years, nurses have been warning about the toll that hospital profit-driven staffing models take on patients. Now, new polling data reveals the devastating impact these corporate policies have had.

For more info, go to: [misaferhospitals.org](https://misaferhospitals.org)

## Let's pass the Safe Patient Care Act

- Create safe limits on nurses' assignments to protect patients and retain nurses
  - Eliminate dangerous mandatory overtime that burns out nurses
- Add transparency for consumers by requiring hospitals to post their nurse-to-patient ratios