

## Raise the Rate! Home Care Can't Wait!

**The New Jersey coalition for private duty nursing** requests YOUR testimonial to help lawmakers understand how reimbursement rates affect access to private duty nursing and the people who rely on it.

Thank you for participating in this movement to increase the Medicaid reimbursement rate for private duty nursing. Please share your story with Logan Lee (Home Care & Hospice Association of NJ) at [info@homecarenj.org](mailto:info@homecarenj.org) by Sunday, March 1. You are welcome to include a photo or video to accompany your testimonial as well.

### Optional prompts:

- One thing policymakers should understand about home nursing is...
- Because of private duty nursing, I/we are able to...
- If I/we didn't have a nurse...

### May we quote you?

- No, keep me anonymous
- Yes, first name only: \_\_\_\_\_
- Yes, first name + town: \_\_\_\_\_

### May we follow up to request more information?

- Yes  No

**Example:** *"My 6-year-old son John has cerebral palsy, requires a trach and vent to breathe, and relies on a wheelchair to get around. His nurse Stacy is with us five days per week, taking care of needs such as trach cleaning and maintenance, g-tube feedings, and daily respiratory exercises. Stacy's care allows me to work full-time to support my family and allows John to go to school and be amongst peers."*

*"Because of John's high-acuity level, and the ability of nurses to earn better wages in hospitals in this area, I almost never have nursing coverage during nights or weekends. This makes it incredibly difficult for me to be able to sleep on weekends, care adequately for my other children, or tend to household responsibilities."*