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Figure 1. Percentage increases in health care objectives for caregivers and persons with dementia.

Figure 2. Percentage increases in health care objectives for urban and rural caregivers and persons with dementia.

- POA: 37% Increase, 65% Increase
- HCD: 42% Increase, 67% Increase
- Med Al: 117% Increase, 200% Increase

Green bars represent 'Had Previously', while orange bars represent 'Now Have'.
Figure 3. Estimated cost savings for urban and rural persons with dementia.

Cost Savings

- Emergency Room Visits
  - Rural: $4,000
  - Urban: $2,000

- 911 Calls
  - Rural: $1,000
  - Urban: $0
Figure 1. Estimated health care cost savings for DCSP participants.

Total Est. Savings $323,098

- Hospital $290,447
- Emergency Room $19,210
- Ambulance $8,425
- 911 Calls $5,016
Contact us for more information!

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