

[NAME]

[TITLE] of [AGENCY]

[AGENCY ADDRESS]

[AGENCY CITY, STATE, ZIP]

Dear [TITLE & NAME],

On behalf of the full committee of the Governor's Advisory Council on Aging (GACA), we appreciate the work that the [AGENCY] and its staff undertakes in the role of [NAMED SERVICES] for those who are struggling with Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders.

As part of the statutory charge of GACA, a subcommittee has been formed with the express purpose of gathering data on Arizonans who suffer from Alzheimer's Disease or Related Disorders. This subcommittee, led by members of GACA and with support from various state agencies, nonprofits, and other stakeholders, is formally requesting data from your agency regarding patients.

Our request focuses on the following data which you may have access to:

1. Diagnosis of a Major Neuro-Cognitive Disorder (i.e. Alzheimer's Disease, Frontotemporal Dementia, etc.) or Mild Cognitive Impairment
2. Demographic Data (i.e. Age, Sex, Race/Ethnicity, etc.)
3. Location of Patient (Rural vs. Urban)
4. Setting in Which the Patient Resides (Personal Home vs. Residential Care Setting)

We thank you in advance of your cooperation and look forward to sharing the findings of our queries and provide recommendations for where the state should allocate resources to support Arizonans and their families dealing with these types of conditions.

Sincerely,

Theresa Spitz

Chairwoman, Governor's Advisory Council on Aging