## While Many People Are Worried About Facing Challenges If Seriously III, Fewer Have Taken Steps To Prepare

## Many people are personally concerned about these issues and think they are important.

Are worried about affording needed medical care, \_ if seriously ill

50 65

**TOTAL** 

Are worried about affording needed support services, if seriously ill

% of the public who say they...

46 56

**65 OR OLDER** 

Think it is important that wishes for medical care are followed to have a good quality of life in older age

90 91

Think it is important to have written down wishes for medical care in case of serious illness

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## But smaller shares have taken steps to plan for the potential that these issues will affect them.

Have a written document that describes their wishes for medical care

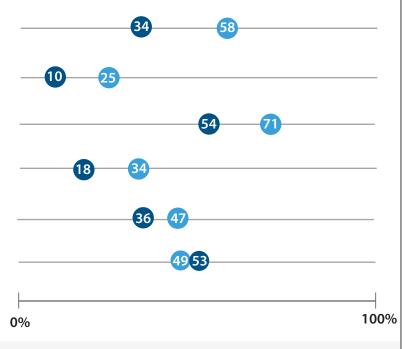
Have shared their written wishes document with a doctor

Have talked about their wishes for medical care with family

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Have talked with family about how they will pay for health care or other support, if seriously ill

Are saving for retirement



## Who Is More Likely To Have a Written Document Outlining Their Wishes for Medical Care?



58% OLDER ADULTS (65+)



44% COLLEGE EDUCATED



3/% DISCUSSED DEATH GROWING UP

SOURCE: Kaiser Family Foundation Serious Illness in Late Life Survey, 2017 www.kff.org | Email Alerts: kff.org/email | facebook.com/KaiserFamilyFoundation | twitter.com/KaiserFamFound

