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2025 WEST VIRGINIA
Certificate of Need Poll

1. **West Virginia requires hospitals to get special permission from the state before opening or expanding capacity. Would you support or oppose allowing hospitals to open new facilities or expand capacity without having to obtain special permission from the state?**

	GOP	IND	DEM	ALL VOTERS
Support	52%	42%	48%	**48%**
Oppose	20%	20%	28%	**22%**
Unsure / No Opinion	28%	38%	24%	**30%**

2. **If you knew that making it easier for hospitals to build or expand could increase accessibility and affordability of care for patients in rural areas, how much more likely would you be to support it?**

	GOP	IND	DEM	ALL VOTERS
Much More Likely	57%	54%	59%	**57%**
Somewhat More Likely	24%	25%	19%	**23%**
Somewhat Less Likely	4%	5%	6%	**5%**
Much Less Likely	2%	1%	2%	**2%**
No Change	13%	14%	14%	**14%**

3. **If you knew that making it easier for hospitals to build or expand could increase the number of trauma centers, how much more likely would you be to support it?**

	GOP	IND	DEM	ALL VOTERS
Much More Likely	59%	53%	56%	**56%**
Somewhat More Likely	25%	22%	22%	**23%**
Somewhat Less Likely	5%	9%	7%	**6%**
Much Less Likely	2%	5%	4%	**3%**
No Change	9%	12%	11%	**11%**

4. **If you knew that making it easier for hospitals to build or expand could increase care options for pregnant women, how much more likely would you be to support it?**

	GOP	IND	DEM	ALL VOTERS
Much More Likely	56%	54%	60%	**57%**
Somewhat More Likely	23%	24%	24%	**23%**
Somewhat Less Likely	8%	5%	4%	**6%**
Much Less Likely	2%	4%	2%	**3%**
No Change	11%	13%	10%	**11%**

5. **If you knew that making it easier for hospitals to build or expand could increase the number of nursing homes and memory care facilities, how much more likely would you be to support it?**

	GOP	IND	DEM	ALL VOTERS
Much More Likely	55%	55%	62%	**57%**
Somewhat More Likely	25%	23%	19%	**22%**
Somewhat Less Likely	8%	5%	5%	**6%**
Much Less Likely	3%	3%	4%	**3%**
No Change	9%	15%	9%	**11%**

6. If you knew that making it easier for hospitals to build or expand could increase the number of hospice care facilities and at-home end-of-life care, how much more likely would you be to support it?

	GOP	IND	DEM	ALL VOTERS
Much More Likely	55%	54%	61%	**57%**
Somewhat More Likely	25%	23%	20%	**23%**
Somewhat Less Likely	6%	4%	6%	**5%**
Much Less Likely	4%	3%	2%	**3%**
No Change	10%	15%	11%	**12%**

7. If you knew that making it easier for hospitals to build or expand could increase the number of home healthcare services, how much more likely would you be to support it?

	GOP	IND	DEM	ALL VOTERS
Much More Likely	59%	54%	59%	**58%**
Somewhat More Likely	23%	24%	23%	**23%**
Somewhat Less Likely	6%	5%	5%	**5%**
Much Less Likely	3%	3%	3%	**3%**
No Change	8%	14%	9%	**10%**

8. If you knew that making it easier for hospitals to build or expand could bring more medical technology jobs to the state, how much more likely would you be to support it?
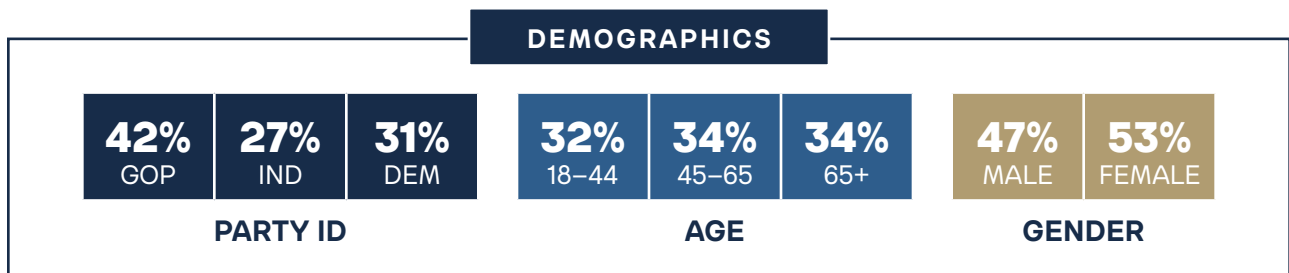
	GOP	IND	DEM	ALL VOTERS
Much More Likely	64%	54%	62%	**60%**
Somewhat More Likely	20%	25%	22%	**22%**
Somewhat Less Likely	5%	4%	2%	**4%**
Much Less Likely	4%	3%	4%	**4%**
No Change	7%	15%	10%	**10%**

9. When medical providers want to open a new facility, hospital systems in West Virginia are allowed to petition the state to stop the construction. Should hospitals be able to block competitors from opening new medical facilities?

	GOP	IND	DEM	ALL VOTERS
Yes	16%	11%	16%	**15%**
No	57%	60%	59%	**58%**
Unsure / No Opinion	27%	29%	25%	**27%**

10. State law requires doctors to charge patients the same for virtual online appointments as they do for in-person office appointments. Would you support or oppose allowing doctors to charge a patient less for a virtual online appointment?

	GOP	IND	DEM	ALL VOTERS
Support	64%	57%	74%	**65%**
Oppose	19%	21%	12%	**17%**
Unsure / No Opinion	17%	22%	14%	**17%**

DEMOGRAPHICS

PARTY ID
- 42% GOP
- 27% IND
- 31% DEM

AGE
- 32% 18–44
- 34% 45–65
- 34% 65+

GENDER
- 47% MALE
- 53% FEMALE