# SOCIAL ISOLATION AND LONELINESS IN CAREGIVERS

#### **SOCIAL ISOLATION**

- A lack of social connections
- Can lead to loneliness in some people, while others can feel lonely without being socially isolated

#### **LONELINESS**

 The feeling of being alone, regardless of the amount of social contact



## **STATISTICS**

- More than 1/3 of adults aged 45 and older feel lonely
- Nearly 1/4 of adults aged 65 and older are socially isolated
- Nearly 10% of caregivers feel lonely often or always

### **EFFECTS**

- High blood pressure
- Heart disease
- Obesity
- Weak immunity
- Anxiety
- Depression
- Cognitive decline
- Dementia



