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Safe staffing ratios not only protect the mental and physical health of nurses and all other acute care staff, but are essential for patient safety. As a CNA and a nursing student, I have experienced firsthand the consequences of unsafe patient group assignments and inadequate staffing. It is unacceptable to allow hospitals to under-staff units and/or over-assign patients to nurses and caregivers in the interest of saving money. It is directly sacrificing patient safety for financial gain.